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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK
Case No. 12-12020 (MG)

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In the Matter of:

RESIDENTIAL CAPITAL, LLC, et al.,

Debtors.

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2 Debtors' Motion For Order Under Bankruptcy Rule 1015

3 Authorizing Joint Administration Of The Debtors' Chapter 11

4 Cases.

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6 Debtors' Motion For Order Under Bankruptcy Code Sections

7 105(A), 345, 363, 364, And 503(B)(1) And Bankruptcy Rules 6003

8 And 6004 Authorizing (I) Continued Use Of Cash Management

9 Services And Practices, (II) Continued Use Of Existing Bank

10 Accounts, Checks, And Business Forms, (III) Implementation Of

11 Modified Cash Management Procedures, (IV) Interim Waiver Of The

12 Investment And Deposit Requirements Of Bankruptcy Code Section

13 345, (V) Debtors To Honor Specified Outstanding Prepetition

14 Payment Obligations, (VI) Continuation Of Intercompany

15 Transactions, Including Intercompany Transactions With Future

16 Debtors, And Granting Administrative Expense Status To

17 Intercompany Claims, And (VII) Scheduling A Final Hearing On

18 The Relief Requested.

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20 Debtors' Motion For Entry Of Interim And Final Orders Pursuant

21 To Bankruptcy Code Sections 361, 363, And 507(b) And Bankruptcy

22 Rule 4001(b): (I) Authorizing The Use Of Cash Collateral And

23 Related Relief, (II) Granting Adequate Protection And (III)

24 Scheduling A Final Hearing (Citibank Cash Collateral).

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2 Debtors' Motion For Interim And Final Orders Pursuant To
3 Bankruptcy Code Sections 105, 361, 363, And 507(b) And
4 Bankruptcy Rule 4001(b): (I) Authorizing The Use Of Cash
5 Collateral And Related Relief, (II) Granting Adequate
6 Protection And (III) Scheduling A Final Hearing (AFI/Secured
7 Notes Cash Collateral).

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9 Debtors' Motion For Interim And Final Orders Pursuant To
10 11 U.S.C. Sections 105, 362, 363(b)(1), 363(f), 363(m),
11 364(c)(1), 364(c)(2), 364(c)(3), 364(d)(1) And 364(e) And
12 Bankruptcy Rules 4001 And 6004 (I) Authorizing The Debtors To
13 (A) Enter Into And Perform Under Receivables Purchase
14 Agreements And Mortgage Loan Purchase And Contribution
15 Agreements Relating To Initial Receivables And Mortgage Loans
16 And Receivables Pooling Agreements Relating To Additional
17 Receivables, And (B) Obtaining Post-petition Financing On A
18 Secured, Superpriority Basis, (II) Scheduling A Final Hearing
19 Pursuant To Bankruptcy Rules 4001(b) and 4001(c), And (III)
20 Granting Related Relief.

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22 Debtors' Motion For Order Under Bankruptcy Code Sections
23 105(a) And 107(b) And Bankruptcy Rule 9018 (I) Authorizing
24 The Debtors To File Under Seal Confidential Exhibit To The
25 Servicing Motion And (II) Limiting Notice Thereof.

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1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 THE COURT: Be seated, please. Good afternoon.

3 MR. NASHELSKY: Good afternoon, Your Honor. Larren
4 Nashelsky from Morrison & Foerster, proposed counsel to the
5 debtors, Residential Capital, LLC and certain subsidiaries
6 which filed petitions for relief this morning.

7 First I wanted to thank Your Honor for taking the time
8 on an emergency basis to step in for Judge Glenn. We really
9 appreciate it. We need this critical relief, and we thank the
10 Court for its time.

11 With me today from ResCap is James Whitlinger, the
12 CFO. He was the affiant in the first-day petition. Mr.
13 Whitlinger is right there in the courtroom.

14 THE COURT: I read your very long submission.

15 MR. NASHELSKY: It's very detailed.

16 Also with me, Your Honor, are two of my partners, Todd
17 Goren and Gary Lee, who will be handling some of the first-day
18 motions today and tomorrow.

19 THE COURT: Okay.

20 MR. NASHELSKY: I wanted to apologize in advance for
21 having to have a tag-team approach, but I think it's important
22 for everybody to recognize that in the last -- with this
23 filing, there were fifty-one debtors, eighteen first-day
24 motions, two DIP requests requesting borrowings over a billion
25 and a half dollars on a final basis, two use of cash collateral

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1 orders, two asset purchase agreements negotiated and signed
2 with a combined purchase price of almost four billion dollars,
3 and three plan support agreements that I will discuss in more
4 detail tomorrow.

5 Since Your Honor has granted us an emergency motion
6 (sic), I had a lot more remarks, but I'm going to spare the
7 Court, unless the Court would like more, and just go into the
8 motions. Either way, I can do more, Your Honor, but I know
9 it's an emergency hearing and Your Honor is stepping in.

10 THE COURT: I don't need to have you say anything
11 other than what I've read in the submissions. But I also
12 recognize that this is a public hearing and it's the beginning
13 of a process that you probably would like to characterize in
14 the best possible way for the audience that's here.

15 MR. NASHELSKY: That's great, Your Honor. Then I --

16 THE COURT: So you have that opportunity if you wish
17 to take it.

18 MR. NASHELSKY: I do, Your Honor. Thank you. But I
19 just wanted to make it clear the we didn't want to indulge
20 (sic) on your time any more than we are.

21 THE COURT: That's fine. You've already indulged in
22 my whole day in getting ready for this. So a few more
23 minutes --

24 MR. NASHELSKY: I will apologize many times --

25 THE COURT: -- a few more minutes won't be a problem.

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1 MR. NASHELSKY: Great. So the debtors are one of the
2 largest mortgage companies in the United States. They're
3 indirectly wholly owned subsidiaries of Ally Financial Inc.,
4 which I'll call Ally or AFI. AFI is a bank holding company
5 that is regulated by the Federal Reserve. None of Ally
6 Financial, Ally Bank or other direct Ally Financial
7 subsidiaries are debtors in these cases. The only debtors are
8 Residential Capital, LLC and its subsidiaries.

9 Ally is almost seventy-four percent owned by the U.S.
10 Department of Treasury as a result of monies it borrowed from
11 Treasury under TARP. Said differently, Your Honor, the debtors
12 are indirectly owned in large part, almost seventy-five
13 percent, by the United States government.

14 Although not debtors in these proceedings, Ally
15 Financial and Ally Bank have entered into a number of
16 agreements that will be discussed in more detail over the next
17 two days that will support the debtors' operations in these
18 Chapter 11 proceedings and through a sale of assets to buyers.

19 The debtors have two main lines of business: mortgage
20 loan servicing and mortgage loan origination; and the wind-down
21 of its legacy portfolio. The debtors operate those business
22 through two primary operating subsidiaries: GMAC Mortgage,
23 LLC, and Residential Funding Company, LLC.

24 With respect to the servicing business, this is the
25 debtors' primary and most valuable asset. It's a business

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1 operation consisting of servicing mortgage loans for investors,
2 including loans originated by the debtors themselves, Ally Bank
3 and other third parties. As of March 31st, 2012, the debtors
4 were servicing over 2.4 million mortgage loans with an
5 aggregate unpaid principal balance of approximately 374 billion
6 dollars.

7 The debtors are the fifth largest servicer of
8 mortgages in the United States. Only Bank of America, Chase,
9 Wells Fargo and Citi service more mortgages than the debtors.
10 Servicing is critical to our borrowers. It consists of
11 collecting and remitting mortgage loan payments, responding to
12 borrower increase, accounting for principal and interest,
13 holding custodial and escrow funds for payment of property
14 taxes and insurance, counseling or otherwise working with
15 delinquent borrowers, including granting borrower leniency and
16 certain loan modification or repayment plans for borrowers,
17 supervising foreclosure and property dispositions, making
18 advances of required principal and interest and certain
19 property protection costs with respect to delinquent mortgages,
20 and reporting and remitting payments due to investors under
21 securitizations.

22 As everybody knows, Your Honor, the housing market has
23 suffered dramatically since 2008. One of the responses to that
24 crisis was the implementation of enhanced servicing standards.
25 These were standards that were pushed by the regulators and

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1 adopted by the debtors, which allow for more required
2 refinancings and modifications of borrowers' mortgage loans.
3 The debtors have been a leader in those refinancings and
4 modifications, including under government-sponsored programs
5 such as Home Affordable Modification Program, known as HAMP,
6 and Home Affordable Refinance Program, known as HARP. The
7 debtors intend to remain a leader in mortgage loan
8 modifications during these Chapter 11 cases.

9 The servicing business is not inexpensive, and
10 servicing advances are the single largest use of the debtors'
11 cash during these cases. That will be the bulk of what we will
12 request in the DIP that Mr. Goren will describe a little later.

13 The other part of the mortgage loan business is the
14 origination side. The debtors are also one of the leading
15 originators of mortgages; brokering, originating, purchasing,
16 selling and securitizing mortgages. Prior to the petition
17 date, the debtors purchased mortgage loans, and together with
18 mortgage loans they originated in Nevada and Ohio, either sold
19 those loans to Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, for the GSEs to
20 deposit them into securitizations, or they deposited them into
21 Ginnie Mae guaranteed mortgage loans, which were sponsored by
22 the issuance of MBS or trust certificates.

23 Post-petition, the debtors intend to continue to
24 originate loans in Nevada and Ohio, selling those loans which
25 will be Fannie Mae- and Freddie Mac-eligible loans to Ally

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1 Bank, its nondebtor affiliate. It will also broker loans to
2 Ally Bank in forty-seven states. For those wanting to do the
3 math, Alaska we do not do any mortgage loans in, the other
4 forty-nine, we do -- sorry, take that back. Hawaii, we do not
5 do any in. The other forty-nine, we are licensed in all forty-
6 nine, but currently, we broker loans solely in forty-seven of
7 them.

8 I apologize. My team has arrived a little late, Your
9 Honor, but I will continue.

10 The other part of the debtors' assets is the legacy
11 portfolio. These are principally assets that remain from
12 nonconforming residential loans the debtors did in years past
13 and other residual interests. The legacy portfolios are being
14 wound down and will be sold during these cases.

15 The primary liabilities of the debtors, Your Honor,
16 are borrowings under a number of credit facilities. And maybe
17 that chart will come up so people can see, but I'll just
18 briefly go through them. Your Honor, there are two facilities
19 with AFI, the nondebtor parent.

20 Thank you. That might help people see a little bit.
21 Probably can't read it, but --

22 THE COURT: Nobody can really see that.

23 MR. NASHELSKY: Nobody can read it. Then I'll
24 describe them. There's an AFI senior secured credit facility
25 that's approximately 748 million dollars outstanding. It

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1 matures today. And it's secured by a number of whole loans,
2 nonagency loans, servicing advances and other assets.

3 THE COURT: Do you have another copy --

4 MR. NASHELSKY: I do.

5 THE COURT: -- of that, that I can just see on the
6 bench?

7 MR. NASHELSKY: Yes. Can I approach, Your Honor?

8 THE COURT: Please. Thank you.

9 MR. NASHELSKY: The second secured facility the
10 debtors have is what they call a line of credit with Ally
11 Financial, as well. This had approximately 380 million dollars
12 outstanding as of the petition date. It also matured today.
13 And it was secured -- or is secured by whole loans, nonagency
14 mortgage service rights and other assets.

15 The third secured facility the debtors have is a
16 facility with Citibank. It's an MSR facility. MSR are
17 mortgage servicing rights. These are the stream of payments
18 the debtors will receive for servicing pools of mortgages. It
19 has approximately 152 million outstanding, and also matured
20 prior -- just prior to the -- sorry, matured today. That
21 facility is secured by GSE mortgage servicing rights. The GSEs
22 we refer to them colloquially; more accurately, it's Fannie
23 Mae, Freddie Mac or more GSEs, and then Ginnie Mae.

24 There is also another servicing advance facility with
25 Fannie Mae. It has about forty-eight million outstanding. And

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1 that is secured by Fannie Mae servicing advances.

2 The two that are in purple in the middle, Your Honor,
3 of your chart, are the two facilities we propose to refinance
4 with the DIP. It is a repo facility with BMMZ. BMMZ is
5 another nondebtor affiliate/subsidiary of Ally Financial. It
6 has approximately 250 million outstanding under the repo
7 facility. And it is made up -- its collateral is made up of
8 whole loans.

9 The other facility that we propose to replace with the
10 DIP is what we refer to as the GSAP facility. This is a
11 facility that's about 660 million outstanding. And it is
12 secured by nonagency servicing advances. Nonagency servicing
13 advances are not the GSEs but advances we make and we are owed
14 money in repayment of those advances, and those repayments
15 secure that facility. We'll go a little bit more -- Mr. Goren
16 will go into those facilities a bit more with the DIP.

17 The remaining secured facility is a junior secured
18 note facility, approximately 2.1 billion dollars of principal.
19 It has a second lien on the collateral that the Ally senior
20 secured facility has a first lien on. Those were the whole
21 loans, nonagency servicing advances and other assets.

22 Finally, there are a number of unsecured -- senior
23 unsecured notes, approximately a billion dollars -- just short
24 of a billion dollars. Those are unsecured, Your Honor. And
25 those are, unlike most of our other obligations, reside solely

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1 at the parent, Residential Capital, LLC, and are not guaranteed
2 by any of the subsidiaries.

3 The debtors are also parties to a number of lawsuits
4 and contingent liabilities alleging liability from loans the
5 debtors originated and sold over the past number of years. The
6 three big categories of those liabilities are representation
7 and warranty -- rep and warranty liability. And we face
8 substantial and continuing rep and warranty requests due to
9 alleged breaches of rep and warranty or early payment defaults.
10 Between 2008 and 2012 we repurchased mortgage loans or
11 otherwise made payments with respect to those claims of 2.8
12 billion dollars.

13 There are also monoline insurance -- I'm sorry --
14 monoline insurer representation and warranty litigations.
15 There are about fifteen cases that the debtors have with
16 monoline insurance companies. And in those cases, the
17 monolines are alleging that the debtors breached their rep and
18 warranties.

19 Finally, the debtors are defendants in approximately
20 nineteen securities case. And those cases allege that the
21 debtors made misrepresentations or omissions in registration
22 statements and prospectus.

23 Why do we find ourselves here, Your Honor? The
24 circumstances leading to this filing, there are a number of
25 reasons, but many of which can be traced back to the continuing

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1 adverse economic climate, particularly in the residential
2 mortgage industry. Starting in 2007, we saw record declines in
3 home values and a continuing glut of homes available for sale
4 and those in foreclosure. Throughout the past five years,
5 homeowners have had difficulty paying their mortgages,
6 refinancing their mortgages, this despite record low interest
7 rates. It is also very difficult to sell homes or buy homes in
8 this environment.

9 As both loan delinquencies and regulation costs
10 increased, the cost of servicing mortgage loans also increased.
11 Although the debtors have continued to honor their servicing
12 obligations, it's become financially challenging to do so,
13 especially while having limited access to the capital markets.
14 These liquidity problems existed despite Ally Financial having
15 made capital contributions of approximately 10.3 billion
16 dollars to ResCap since 2007.

17 As I just noted, Your Honor, there's been a
18 significant changing regulatory landscape. And I think we'll
19 talk about this a little bit more tomorrow with some of the
20 motions, but as a result of this crisis, there were numerous
21 government agencies investigating mortgage service companies.
22 There are three meaningful settlements or orders that come out
23 of those investigations.

24 On April 13th, 2011, as a result of an examination by
25 the Federal Reserve and the FDIC, ResCap and GMAC Mortgage and

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1 certain nondebtor affiliates entered into a consent order. The
2 consent order requires ResCap and GMAC Mortgage to make
3 improvements to various aspects of their residential mortgage
4 loan servicing business and to undertake a risk assessment of
5 their mortgage servicing operations. Substantially all the
6 requirements under the consent order have now been implemented.

7 The consent order also requires the debtors to conduct
8 a review of past residential mortgage foreclosure actions and
9 remediate any financial harm to borrowers that result from
10 errors or misrepresentations that the debtors uncovered in
11 those reviews. The file review is underway and will continue
12 post-petition.

13 On February 9th, 2012, AFI, ResCap and certain other
14 debtors, along with the four largest servicers of mortgage
15 loans in the United States, reached an agreement in principle
16 with the federal government, forty-nine State Attorneys
17 General, and forty-eight state banking departments, with
18 respect to a DOJ/AG investigation. The DOJ/AG settlement
19 resolves most potential claims of the government parties
20 arising out of origination and servicing matters and
21 foreclosure matters.

22 Pursuant to the DOJ/AG settlement, in February 2012,
23 the debtors paid approximately 110 million dollars to a trustee
24 who is distribute those settlement funds to federal and state
25 governments. In addition, the debtors committed to provide a

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1 minimum of 200 million additional dollars towards borrower
2 relief which would come in the form of loan modifications,
3 principal reductions, rate modifications and refinancings.

4 The DOJ/AG settlement provides incentives for borrower
5 relief provided by the debtor within the first twelve months.
6 And all borrower relief must be satisfied by 2015. The debtors
7 are well underway with satisfying those requirements.
8 Compliance with the obligations of the DOJ/AG settlement will
9 be subject to oversight by an independent monitor who will have
10 authority to impose additional penalties and fines for
11 noncompliance.

12 Lastly, on February 9th, 2012, AFI and ResCap agreed
13 with the Federal Reserve Board on a civil money penalty of 207
14 million dollars related to the same activities that were the
15 subject of the DOJ/AG settlement. This 207 million dollar
16 amount will be reduced, dollar for dollar, in connection with
17 the satisfaction of the federal portion of the DOJ/AG
18 settlement. Additional future penalties related to the civil
19 money penalty may be imposed if we do not satisfy those
20 requirements.

21 With that regulatory backdrop, much of the first-day
22 relief being requested today and tomorrow is to permit the
23 debtors to continue to operate their businesses within this
24 regulatory landscape and to sell their assets in an orderly
25 fashion for almost four billion dollars under their stalking-

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1 horse bids, and to benefit creditors. To do that, it's
2 critical that the debtors have the ability to comply with the
3 various obligations under these regulatory provisions. Not
4 surprisingly, no buyer wants to buy our assets if we haven't
5 continued to comply with those provisions; and we intend to.

6 It's mission critical, Your Honor, that in complying
7 with all of the additional requirements I just described, the
8 debtors maintain their entire workforce. These regulations
9 require significantly more man and woman hours to satisfy
10 enhanced servicing standards. The servicing business is very
11 competitive right now, and the debtors cannot afford to lose
12 any of their employees if they have any hope of continuing to
13 fulfill these regulatory obligations.

14 We are also -- excuse me, Your Honor. We were part of
15 the problem, Your Honor. We are trying very hard to be part of
16 the solution. Complying with these regulatory obligations is a
17 critical part of that solution, a solution that will be
18 continued by the buyer after the sale.

19 So that there were no surprises and that we had
20 support from our regulators prior to filing, the debtors had
21 numerous discussions with a variety of regulators prior to the
22 filing, including the monitor that I described earlier from the
23 DOJ/AG settlement and the Office of Mortgage Settlement
24 Oversight, the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, the
25 Department of Justice and Executive Office of the United States

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1 Trustees, the Conference of State Bank Supervisors, AG
2 Monitoring Executive Committee, the New York State Department
3 of Financial Services, and the Oklahoma Attorney General's
4 Office and Banking Department. There are many more calls set
5 up starting today through the end of the week and beyond. The
6 debtors understand the importance of these regulatory issues,
7 and they will continue to comply.

8 The debtors would like to use Chapter 11, and
9 specifically a Chapter 11 plan here, to facilitate an orderly
10 sale of their most valuable assets, the origination and
11 servicing platform I described earlier, and their legacy
12 portfolio. They would then wind down and sell any remaining
13 assets and resolve their legacy liabilities. The debtors
14 believe that a rapid sale process during this calendar year
15 will reduce the risk of disruption and dissipation of value
16 with originating and servicing mortgage loans in a bankruptcy.

17 By doing this, Your Honor, the debtors hope to provide
18 the best possible outcome for the more than 2.4 million
19 customers whose loans they service and for the many investors
20 in securitizations that own loans serviced by the debtors.
21 They hope to avoid disrupting the fragile housing market
22 recovery and preserve their employees' jobs.

23 The key pieces of this restructuring effort are the
24 DIP financing, which we will discuss in a moment; the asset
25 sales, which include a sale of the platform and assets to

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1 Nationstar; and a sale of the legacy portfolio to Ally
2 Financial. The Nationstar sale is for a purchase price of
3 approximately 2.4 billion dollars -- sorry, almost 2.4 billion
4 dollars; and the Ally sale is for a purchase price of
5 approximately 1.6 billion. Together the sales are generating
6 almost 4 billion dollars of value for the estates.

7 The third piece of this restructuring effort includes
8 settlements we've reached just before bankruptcy with Ally
9 Financial; with the holders of approximately 781 million
10 dollars of our junior secured bonds, which is approximately
11 thirty-seven percent of those bond issuance; and with a group
12 of institutional investors in residential mortgage-backed
13 securities issued by ResCap's affiliates. And those investors
14 hold more than twenty-five percent of at least one class in 290
15 deals out of 392 total deals we did, with an original principal
16 balance of 164 billion that they hold -- sorry, of those deals,
17 compared to a total original principal balance of 392 deals we
18 did of 221.

19 So significant holdings in approximately seventy-five
20 percent, whether you go by dollar amount or number of deals,
21 are supporting the plan that the debtors are moving forward
22 with.

23 With respect to the asset sales, Your Honor; at the
24 beginning of the year, the debtors' investment banker,
25 Centerview Partners, launched a targeted marketing process for

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1 the debtors' assets. Five potential bidders were contacted,
2 and we negotiated NDAs with each of them. These were bidders
3 that had previously shown interest in the debtors' assets and
4 had the economic wherewithal to complete transactions of this
5 size.

6 The buyers were encouraged to be flexible with their
7 proposals, and that the debtors would consider bids for any and
8 all asset combinations, including bids on individual assets.
9 The debtors received three preliminary bids of interest,
10 including one from Nationstar, a portfolio company of Fortress.
11 Nationstar and one other bidder indicated their interest in
12 participating as a stalking-horse bidder for a substantial
13 portion of the debtors' assets and operations. The third
14 bidder expressed an interest in buying a limited group of
15 financial assets.

16 The debtors elected to proceed with the two bidders.
17 And after further bids were received, Nationstar's offer was
18 subsequently the highest and the best offer for the debtors'
19 business. Nationstar is paying almost 2.4 billion for the
20 mortgage loan origination and servicing platform and related
21 assets.

22 As to these sales, both sales are subject to higher
23 and better offers as part of an auction process that hopefully
24 will be established in the coming weeks. We anticipate the
25 process will give potential buyers approximately three months

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1 to prepare bids to bid on these assets. We would hope to have
2 an auction in mid-September. And to that end, we have filed a
3 motion seeking a hearing in mid-June for approval of sale
4 procedures.

5 It should be noted, Your Honor, that from the start of
6 the sales process, the debtors and their advisors have spent
7 significant times with a variety of government entities,
8 including Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac, Ginnie Mae and FHFA. In
9 order to garner the support of such organizations, the debtors
10 engaged in constant dialog, consisting of multiple weekly
11 update calls, frequent in-person meetings, and in-person
12 management presentations, where the debtors were, and they were
13 also joined by Nationstar.

14 Part of what these government entities would like to
15 know, Your Honor, is to be comfortable that Nationstar, as the
16 acquirer of such a large portfolio, can continue to service
17 them at the levels the debtors have. Obtaining government
18 support is viewed as paramount by the debtors in consummating a
19 value-maximizing sale of assets and operations. Although we
20 don't have complete sign-off from those entities today on all
21 the terms of the sale, they have generally indicated their
22 support for the process and what the debtors are seeking to do
23 in selling their assets to Nationstar.

24 Your Honor, the final piece of the debtors' plan that
25 I want to briefly summarize were the three plan support

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1 agreements I noted earlier. Back in the fall, it became
2 apparent that the debtors' best chance of restructuring
3 involved significant financial support from its parent, Ally
4 Financial. It similarly became apparent that further support
5 in connection with a comprehensive restructuring would require
6 the debtors to provide releases to Ally Financial. Nothing
7 comes for free, Your Honor.

8 And to determine whether such a settlement would be
9 appropriate, and whether releases would be appropriate under
10 the circumstances, the debtors undertook an investigation of
11 potential claims against Ally. To make the process completely
12 independent, the debtors appointed two new independent members
13 to the ResCap board who had no prior involvement with either
14 ResCap or Ally, and created a subcommittee of those two
15 independent board members with sole responsibility for the
16 investigation.

17 THE COURT: When did this occur?

18 MR. NASHELSKY: The investigation started in end of
19 November, early December, Your Honor, and continued through
20 February, and then negotiations, probably, for the last two
21 months, culminating on a settlement in the last -- actually
22 signed up this morning.

23 THE COURT: Okay. I don't need to know the details of
24 what you just described. I'm sure it will be the subject of
25 some close analysis during the case.

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1 MR. NASHELSKY: Yes. I am sure, Your Honor.

2 Morrison & Foerster worked closely with counsel for
3 the independent directors, Morrison Cohen, in undertaking this
4 investigation. A settlement was ultimately reached which was
5 unanimously approved by the special committee of the ResCap
6 board. The settlement includes the following key contributions
7 by Ally to ResCap.

8 THE COURT: When you say "unanimously approved by the
9 special committee", that means the two independent directors?

10 MR. NASHELSKY: The two members. And then endorsed by
11 the full board.

12 Ally will pay the debtors 750 million dollars in cash.
13 Ally will act as a stalking-horse bidder on the legacy loan
14 portfolio I described earlier, for a price that is 200 million
15 dollars higher than Nationstar was willing to pay for those
16 same assets; hence we have the bifurcated sale process now.

17 Ally will also support ResCap's continued origination
18 of loans in bankruptcy. As far as we can tell, Your Honor,
19 originating loans while in bankruptcy has never been done
20 before. And with Ally's support, we hope to complete that.

21 Continuing origination is critical. Not only is
22 Nationstar requiring the debtors to continue to originate
23 during the cases, but origination is estimated to yield
24 approximately a hundred million dollars in net profit to the
25 debtors between today and the closing of the sale to

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1 Nationstar.

2 As will be discussed in more detail below, Ally is
3 also providing a DIP loan to allow the debtors to continue to
4 make required Ginnie Mae buybacks. Finally, Ally is providing
5 essential service to the debtors during the Chapter 11 cases to
6 allow the debtors to operate as a going concern through the
7 sale to Nationstar and any subsequent wind down.

8 Based on those contributions that the debtors valued
9 well in excess of a billion dollars, and which also allowed the
10 debtors to propose a plan that implements the sales to
11 Nationstar and Ally, the independent directors concluded that
12 the truly unusual circumstances justified a settlement that
13 includes third-party releases.

14 I want to be clear, none of the relief being sought
15 today or tomorrow limits in any way third parties' rights with
16 respect to challenging the settlement, third-party releases, or
17 anything else. Those issues are for another day. We just
18 wanted to give the Court and the parties an overview of what
19 the settlement entails.

20 THE COURT: I have one question about process. And
21 it's probably premature, but I'm going to ask it anyway. To
22 the extent that there is a competitive process that is being
23 undertaken here, starting with June sale procedures to be
24 approved and a September auction, if one were to assume
25 hypothetically a robust competition for the assets that are the

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1 subject of Ally's stalking-horse bid of 1.6 billion dollars,
2 how does the company independently assess that, given what
3 appears to be a conflict within the corporate structure, since
4 Ally is benefitted by this transaction by reason of the
5 releases? It almost seems to be inviting a Chapter 11 trustee
6 or some independent fiduciary to be involved in assessing this.

7 And my question is, to what extent has any
8 consideration been given pre-filing to how that aspect of the
9 case will be managed?

10 MR. NASHELSKY: We've given significant thought, Your
11 Honor. We believe that with the investigation we've done, and
12 with the a creditors' committee who will be shortly appointed,
13 we believe we can have a robust process that looks at the
14 investigation, looks at the materials, looks at the facts, and
15 determines whether the board's judgment was reasonable, given
16 the circumstances.

17 On the bid you just noted, Ally Financial is
18 completely exposed to being overbid on that bid. They do
19 not -- they're not locking up those assets. I attributed a 200
20 million dollar value between the Fortress bid and the Ally bid.
21 That's the value today based on having a 200 million dollar
22 higher bid than we have. That value may not be there come the
23 end of the case if they get overbid, and we'd have to have a
24 different discussion about what that value would be.

25 THE COURT: But the decider will be the debtor-in-

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1 possession with the advice and consent and oversight of the
2 creditors' committee, assuming one is appointed here.

3 MR. NASHELSKY: And the ability of creditors to object
4 in a process before the Court.

5 THE COURT: Okay. I'm just raising what to me seems
6 to be a potential issue down the road. But we don't need to
7 address it today.

8 MR. NASHELSKY: Fair enough, Your Honor. We recognize
9 it is. But I think it's important to note that in addition to
10 Ally, the debtors began discussions with advisors representing
11 an ad hoc group of the junior secured bonds. Those are the
12 bondholders that hold the second lien position on the
13 collateral that the AFI senior secured credit facility has a
14 first lien. That ad hoc group included holders of
15 approximately forty percent of the junior secured bonds and is
16 represented by White & Case and Houlihan Lokey.

17 After execution of an NDA, the debtors gave those
18 advisors access to a data room containing a significant amount
19 of information about the debtors, their capital structure and
20 operations. After a few months of diligence and meetings with
21 the debtors and their advisors, we began to discuss a potential
22 settlement.

23 The settlement discussions focused on the junior
24 secured bonds' support of a plan which includes the asset sales
25 I described earlier and an intercreditor settlement of

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1 potential claims between the junior secured bonds and Ally,
2 with respect to the collateral they share and the positions on
3 that collateral.

4 After months of negotiations among the advisors, the
5 committee -- the ad hoc committee -- sorry, the advisors to the
6 ad hoc committee, Ally and the debtors, the junior secured
7 bondholder advisors believed the settlement was at a point
8 where they needed to have holders of their bonds become
9 restricted to make the ultimate determination about a
10 settlement. After becoming restricted, the parties finalized a
11 settlement that is embodied in the plan support agreement among
12 the debtors, Ally and those holders who are signatories
13 thereto.

14 The primary terms of the plan support agreement
15 include the junior secured bonds' support of the plan, the
16 first day motions, the DIP facilities and the use of cash
17 collateral; the junior secured bonds waive any potential right
18 to post-petition interest till the end of the year; and they
19 waive the right to pursue any claim for an equitable lien they
20 may have on the Ally LOC assets -- that's the second facility
21 on the chart -- if the plan is confirmed by 12/31.

22 Ally has agreed to modify its intercreditor agreement
23 with the junior secured bonds, such that Ally only gets the
24 first 400 million of those bonds instead of the 748 they're
25 currently listed as being entitled to. The next billion they

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1 share -- sorry, JSBs get the next billion. And then they share
2 eighty-one percent to the junior secured bonds and nineteen
3 percent to Ally after that.

4 Another benefit to the estate is through this
5 intercreditor settlement agreement, the debtors are only paying
6 interest on 400 million of an Ally revolver as opposed to the
7 full 750, if we can confirm a plan that approves that
8 settlement.

9 Finally, Your Honor, we reached a settlement with our
10 parent; we reached a settlement with bondholders; but we also
11 thought it very important to reach a settlement with contingent
12 claimants that held many of the claims I described earlier.
13 And what the debtors have achieved is a settlement in support
14 with a very large group of contingent creditors who have claims
15 arising from the debtors' sale of mortgage loans.

16 Those creditors are represented by Kathy Patrick of
17 Gibbs & Bruns. Ms. Patrick recently represented similar
18 clients with similar claims against Bank of America. Ms.
19 Patrick's clients are some of the largest investors and
20 investment management -- excuse me -- investors and investment
21 managers in the world. Specifically here, they are
22 institutional investors in residential mortgage-backed
23 securities issued by ResCap's affiliates. At present, those
24 institutional investors hold more than twenty-five percent of
25 at least one class in 290 securitizations; and they have agreed

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1 to support the debtors' restructuring.

2 I won't go through much detail on the settlement
3 today, Your Honor. It's obviously not up to today and will be
4 the subject of a future hearing. But the essence of the
5 settlement is that Ms. Patrick's clients have agreed to
6 recommend that the trustees for RMBS cap the trust claims
7 against the debtors at 8.7 billion for all claims held by the
8 trust that arise from PSAs and the other related trust
9 documents. As you can imagine, when dealing with complex
10 securitizations, trusts, and certificates, the settlement is
11 much more complicated than the simplified version I just gave
12 you.

13 Part and parcel with the settlement is a plan support
14 agreement under which Ms. Patrick's clients will support the
15 debtors' efforts in various aspects of the restructuring,
16 including prosecution of the first- and second-day motions, and
17 approval of a disclosure statement and plan that materially
18 conform to the plan term sheet. They will also direct the
19 trustees of relevant trusts to accept the settlement agreement
20 and support the same aspects of the bankruptcy case as the
21 claimants themselves.

22 To come full circle, Your Honor, the debtors believe
23 that in one of the most complicated bankruptcies in recent
24 memory, including the continuation of the operations of a
25 financial services company during a bankruptcy, the elements of

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1 a successful Chapter 11 case are taking shape. The debtors
2 hope to move quickly through Chapter 11 for the sake of their
3 business, their creditors, their employees, their customer, and
4 the fragile U.S. housing recovery.

5 Your Honor, thank you for your indulgence on letting
6 me give some background to the Court and to the parties today.
7 Unless the Court has any questions, I was going to turn the
8 podium over to Mr. Marinuzzi and Mr. Goren to go through
9 today's first-day motions.

10 THE COURT: I do have one question that relates to the
11 timeline for getting all this done. I noticed that the
12 maturity date for purposes of the DIP financing, which we're
13 going to be getting into, is eighteen months, but the plan that
14 you outline calls for, perhaps optimistically, an exit before
15 the end of the year. Is there any consequence to the debtor in
16 respect of its financing, its plan support arrangements, its
17 post-petition operations or otherwise, if the timeline
18 associated with the sale process and completing the plan
19 process associated therewith, should be prolonged?

20 MR. NASHELSKY: Currently, all those agreements
21 require milestones and deadlines. The buyer is requiring them.
22 The DIP lender is requiring them. And the counterparties to
23 our plan support agreements are requiring them. So the short
24 answer is, Judge, yes there is significant consequence if we
25 can't achieve a sale -- well, if we can't achieve plan

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1 confirmation by the end of October, or a sale of the assets --
2 sorry, a sale order for the assets by the middle of November;
3 or if we achieve confirmation, if we can't go effective before
4 the middle of December. We'd have to close those sales.

5 So what we've done is, we've entered into these plan
6 support agreements; we're proposing a plan; and we believe
7 that's where the highest and best value is. But we have not
8 done it in a way that this can't be closed outside of a plan
9 process. These asset purchase agreements are designed that if
10 a plan isn't confirmed by a certain date or if it doesn't go
11 effective by a certain date, then separate sale orders will be
12 entered and those assets will be sold.

13 So while we are optimistic that we can get a plan that
14 has a lot of support, we've not put all our eggs in that
15 basket, Your Honor. There are sales that will be done either
16 way.

17 THE COURT: And will you be endeavoring to garner
18 support from others who are part of the same constituency that
19 signed plan support agreements, but who are not yet on board?

20 MR. NASHELSKY: Absolutely, Your Honor. We are -- we
21 have been in active discussions, and quite frankly, with
22 signature pages coming in, some of the numbers I gave you for
23 both Ms. Patrick's groups and the junior secured bondholders
24 are probably increased either since I left my office or since
25 this hearing started. But we have also reached out and had

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1 pre-petition discussions with the monolines, other contingent
2 holders similar to Ms. Patrick's clients, and other significant
3 holders of the junior secured bonds and the senior unsecured
4 bonds that I described.

5 So we believe we've been talking to just about
6 everybody, and we absolutely want to continue to talk to
7 everybody, because we understand that this is -- there's a lot
8 to be done here. And if we can't get everybody comfortable
9 that this is the best deal, then we're going to have a problem,
10 and we may end up ending up just selling the assets, losing a
11 bunch of the value we're getting out of the variety of these
12 settlements, and having to then have a prolonged plan and claim
13 dispute thereafter.

14 But we're optimistic that we can push forward and see
15 if we can get increased support for our plan.

16 THE COURT: All right. Thank you.

17 MR. NASHELSKY: Thank you, Your Honor. With that, I'd
18 turn it over to Mr. Marinuzzi to briefly go through -- he's
19 going to do joint admin, and then Mr. Goren is going to handle
20 the financing motions.

21 MR. MARINUZZI: Good afternoon, Your Honor. For the
22 record, Lorenzo Marinuzzi, Morrison & Foerster. Your Honor,
23 when we determined which motions we wanted to proceed with
24 today, with the Court's indulgence, versus tomorrow, we wanted
25 to minimize the number of motions that the Court had to hear

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1 tonight. And of the administrative motions that were
2 originally scheduled for the first-day hearing, we limited it
3 to the joint administration motion.

4 It's a standard, pro forma joint administration
5 motion. We'd like to have the lead caption be "Residential
6 Capital, LLC, 12-12020". Unless Your Honor has any questions,
7 it's --

8 THE COURT: I have no questions. But I'll check to
9 see if the U.S. Trustee has any comments.

10 MS. DAVIS: Good afternoon, Your Honor. Tracy Hope
11 Davis, United States Trustee. Our office spent a considerable
12 amount of time speaking with the parties about the draft first-
13 day orders. But as time would have it, we did not get a chance
14 to really fully digest the black-lined copies.

15 We have some comments that I would like my colleague
16 Mr. Masumoto to fully articulate to Your Honor, perhaps order
17 by order or motion by motion; but I wanted to just let the
18 Court know and let the parties know that the U.S. Trustee is
19 doing its best to appoint a creditors' committee as soon as
20 possible. I have an organizational meeting scheduled for March
21 (sic) 16th at --

22 THE COURT: It must be May.

23 MS. DAVIS: Oh, pardon me. It's the M's. May 16th at
24 10:30 at the Hilton New York. And that'll be posted on our web
25 site. And the hope is that we'll have a committee appointed as

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1 soon as possible.

2 I'll defer to Mr. Masumoto as to the remainder of our
3 issues. Thank you.

4 THE COURT: Okay. Thank you. Mr. Masumoto, any
5 comments with regard to joint administration?

6 MR. MASUMOTO: Your Honor, we had discussions with
7 counsel, and I believe they agreed to certain modifications.
8 One thing that was not contained in the original version of the
9 order provided for separate disbursements by the individual
10 debtors. I believe the order did not specifically address
11 whether or not the debtor would be seeking to file consolidated
12 statements; but I'll leave that decision up to the debtor.

13 So we did ask that at least we have a chance to see
14 the order before it's submitted to the Court.

15 MR. MARINUZZI: Your Honor, we don't have any issues.
16 We're going to submit consolidated monthly operating reports,
17 but we'll break down disbursements by debtor entity. And we'll
18 add that to the order for clarification.

19 THE COURT: Okay. Just for housekeeping purposes, if
20 that order can be put in shape to enter as we speak,
21 literally --

22 MR. MARINUZZI: It can. We'll do that.

23 THE COURT: -- one of Judge Glenn's law clerks could
24 take it down to his courtroom deputy and we could have the
25 order entered, making it easier to enter subsequent orders both

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1 today and tomorrow.

2 MR. MARINUZZI: Will do, Your Honor. Thank you.

3 THE COURT: So if someone has access to a computer, I
4 encourage that the changes be made now.

5 MR. MARINUZZI: We'll do that. Thank you, Your Honor.

6 THE COURT: So this is the tag team that I was warned
7 about.

8 MR. GOREN: Yes, Your Honor. Thank you.

9 MR. NASHELSKY: This was the tag team you were warned
10 about.

11 MR. GOREN: I will be handling everything else,
12 though, today, so no more tag teaming.

13 THE COURT: Okay.

14 MR. NASHELSKY: Your Honor, the tag team seemed a lot
15 better when there were a lot more motions and it wasn't one
16 motion at a time. But we apologize.

17 THE COURT: No problem.

18 MR. GOREN: Thank you, Your Honor. Todd Goren,
19 Morrison & Foerster, proposed counsel for Residential Capital,
20 LLC and its subsidiaries. I'll be presenting four motions
21 today, all relating to the debtors' finances and all critical
22 to the debtors' ability to operate in these Chapter 11 cases.

23 In support of this relief, we rely on the affidavit of
24 James Whitlinger, chief financial officer of the debtors, and
25 Marc Puntus of Centerview Partners, the company's investment

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1 banker. We would ask that both declarations be accepted into
2 evidence for purposes of today's hearing. Both Mr. Whitlinger
3 and Mr. Puntus are in court and available to the extent anyone
4 has any questions.

5 THE COURT: Does anyone object to the request that I
6 receive in evidence the affidavit of Mr. Whitlinger and the
7 declaration of Mr. Puntus?

8 There's no objection. They're admitted.

9 (Affidavit of Mr. Whitlinger was hereby received into
10 evidence as Debtors' Exhibit, as of this date.)

11 (Declaration of Mr. Puntus was hereby received into
12 evidence as Debtors' Exhibit, as of this date.)

13 MR. GOREN: Thank you, Your Honor.

14 The four motions I'll be discussing today are the
15 debtors' motion to use a modified cash management system; their
16 motion to seek a 1.45 billion dollar debtor-in-possession
17 financing facility, syndicated by Barclays as administrative
18 agent and collateral agent; and authority to enter into another
19 debtor-in-possession financing facility of potentially up to
20 220 million dollars with Ally Financial; and to use the cash
21 collateral of Ally Financial and the junior secured bonds. And
22 finally, we'll be seeking authority to use the cash collateral
23 of Citibank in connection with the debtors' MSR mortgage
24 servicing rights facility.

25 I'll start with cash management, if that's acceptable

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1 to Your Honor?

2 THE COURT: That's fine.

3 MR. GOREN: Okay. The debtors' primary business lines
4 are servicing and originating mortgage loans. As servicer, the
5 debtors are responsible for managing and disbursing significant
6 sums of money on a regular basis, and often are required to
7 make significant advances from their accounts to cover
8 shortfalls in payments made by borrowers. These advances are
9 the debtors' single biggest cash use, and they amount to
10 hundreds of millions of dollars a month.

11 These advances represent shortfalls in principal
12 payments on loans or tax payments to authorities. So to the
13 extent a borrower fails to make the payments, the debtor is
14 obligated under its various servicing agreements, typically to
15 make those payments on the borrower's behalf, subject to
16 reimbursement down the road.

17 The debtors require immediate access to funds in order
18 to afford -- because they cannot afford any delay in making the
19 distributions required of them as servicer without severely
20 jeopardizing their operations and thus the value to be realized
21 from the estate from the planned sale to Nationstar.

22 As I'll get into a little bit later, the debtors
23 currently hold over 220 million dollars in an unencumbered
24 account. And I consider it a minor miracle that it's managed
25 to stay unencumbered through the debtors' distress over the

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1 years and will remain unencumbered through these bankruptcy
2 cases. But unfortunately, that 250 million dollars will not
3 get us very far during this case. And so we need access to all
4 of the cash in our system as quickly as possible.

5 If the debtors do not obtain permission from this
6 Court to use their cash management system and access these
7 funds, checks will begin to bounce by noon tomorrow, which
8 would be most uncharacteristic of one of the top servicers in
9 the country and would severely jeopardize the debtors'
10 reputation in the industry.

11 The debtors' primary -- the primary debtor that does
12 servicing is GMAC Mortgage, LLC, which will sometimes be
13 referred to as GMAC-M or GMAC Mortgage. And if they were to
14 bounce checks, it would not only cause reputational damage, it
15 would cause severe economic harm to the investors in the
16 various securitization trusts that the debtors manage.

17 The debtors are not seeking to satisfy any pre-
18 petition debts or make any extraordinary payments by this
19 motion. Rather, the debtors are simply asking the Court to
20 allow them to continue using their cash management system, as
21 modified to account for the various changes that the debtors
22 have implemented during this case, which I'll get into now.

23 As my colleague Mr. Nashelsky went through, the
24 debtors have a very complex capital structure. And there
25 are -- substantially all their assets are liened up except for

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1 an unencumbered cash count that I mentioned and advances and
2 mortgage servicing rights with respect to Ginnie Mae. But the
3 rest of their assets are all liened up, and -- but by various
4 different facilities in different amounts.

5 As we started to get closer to the bankruptcy case, it
6 became clear that it would be difficult to ensure the adequate
7 protection of our various secured lenders, and in fact, our DIP
8 lender required, because they weren't taking a lien on all of
9 our assets, that the funds that they were advancing stayed in a
10 closed loop. So what we've done for purposes of this case is
11 modify our cash management system to create various islands of
12 the different buckets of collateral within our estate. We've
13 created concentration accounts at the top of each island, so
14 that money will flow through, go to pay the expenses of each
15 island, along with an allocated portion of administrative
16 expenses, and then sit in the concentration account to be used
17 for that purpose.

18 The relief requested in this motion goes hand-in-hand
19 with our next three motions, our financing and cash collateral
20 motions, as it will help us ensure that we adequately protect
21 the interests of our secured creditors.

22 THE COURT: Let me just ask you a very simplistic
23 question. Are you proposing that these motions be heard
24 seriatim or are you proposing that they be heard and considered
25 as one cluster of related motions?

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1 MR. GOREN: They're separate motions, but they really
2 are dependent on each other. Both the AFI DIP/cash collateral
3 motion and the Barclays DIP motion require entry of the cash
4 collateral order. So the cash collateral order -- sorry, cash
5 management order is a predicate, I think to our ability to get
6 the next three motions. The next three are certainly
7 interrelated. We need access to all of our cash collateral
8 right away, and we need access to -- as I'll get into -- a
9 significant amount of DIP financing right away. But I don't
10 know that they're intertwined in the same way.

11 THE COURT: Well, Mr. Whitlinger's affidavit suggested
12 that they were a package. All I'm really asking is whether
13 you're seeking what amounts to an order first on cash
14 management with whatever comments are to be made on that, and
15 then sequentially going into each of the others, or are we, in
16 effect, doing this all at once? It's a very simple --

17 MR. GOREN: Okay.

18 THE COURT: -- question of how we're proceeding.

19 MR. GOREN: I would say sequentially.

20 THE COURT: Okay.

21 MR. GOREN: I would like to get cash management done
22 first, because that's, right now, the most important thing to
23 make sure money can flow as necessary.

24 THE COURT: All right. At least speaking for myself,
25 I consider the modification of cash management procedures as

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1 part of a cash management motion to be an unusual feature of
2 this motion. In the ordinary course of large Chapter 11 cases
3 that I'm familiar with, debtors' counsel shows up and says it
4 would just be too hard to change existing cash management
5 procedures, and so we want them to be validated on the first
6 day.

7 You're doing something very different. You're seeking
8 to change it on the first day. And even Mr. Nashelsky is
9 nodding in agreement that what I'm saying is something that
10 you've probably thought about. So it seems to me that for
11 first-day purposes, you may need to have a somewhat heightened
12 standard for telling me why we should be changing existing cash
13 management other than the lenders insist on it.

14 MR. GOREN: It wasn't merely that the lenders insisted
15 on it, Your Honor. There are -- as we began to plan for
16 Chapter 11, we realized that there are significant expenses
17 that flow through the estate. And if we didn't -- and the
18 debtors, prior to the petition date, ran through -- ran as an
19 integrated company. And if they didn't develop an ability to
20 track and manage how the various cash spend applied to each
21 facility, it would be difficult, if not impossible, to assure
22 that we were adequately protecting the interests of our
23 lenders.

24 So we embarked on that process before we had committed
25 financing from anyone, before we had a single conversation with

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1 any of our lenders about what the cash management system might
2 be like in this case; because it was our independent view that
3 it would be difficult for us to ensure the adequate protection
4 of our lenders without implementing this procedure.

5 And the procedure really is solely intended to ensure
6 the protection of our various lenders and creditors to make --
7 and that includes the estate as a whole, because we needed to
8 make sure that to the extent unencumbered cash was used, and
9 since we have a significant amount of it, that it benefitted
10 the estate and didn't go to the benefit of various lenders. So
11 the cash management system -- the modified cash management
12 system that we're proposing, we believe is beneficial to all
13 the estate's creditors.

14 THE COURT: I'm going to ask Mr. Masumoto if he has
15 any issues with regard to what's being proposed; and then I'm
16 going to ask if anybody else has any issues.

17 MR. MASUMOTO: Your Honor we have some issues with
18 respect to the overall procedure. One component of the request
19 in the order is that they have ninety days to come into
20 compliance. As Your Honor knows, typically the request is
21 thirty days. Ninety days in this case, where things are moving
22 so rapidly, from our standpoint, is a problem. I believe --
23 I'm not sure if it was mentioned -- I believe it was mentioned
24 in the 1007 of Mr. Whitlinger, but there are over 3,500
25 accounts. And as the debtor, I think has articulated, they

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1 open and close these accounts perhaps on a daily basis. From
2 the standpoint of the materials that were submitted, although
3 they had a list, I believe it may have included the 3,500
4 accounts, there was no indications of the amounts that were in
5 the account.

6 In addition, as Your Honor may have gathered by
7 reading the material, certain funds don't even belong to the
8 debtor. They serve as a conduit for certain payments. So it's
9 not clear to what extent the funds that the debtor is handling
10 or maintaining control over are even part of the estate.

11 So there are a number of issues that have arisen.
12 Leaving the issues as to whether or not they're going to
13 request a waiver of the 345 requirements for ninety days, from
14 our standpoint is much too long and certainly not the
15 acceptable practice. We would request that the Court enter an
16 order that conforms to a typical period, which is thirty days,
17 which will certainly give enough time for the creditors, also,
18 to get on board to analyze the system and to determine whether
19 or not any variation or waivers of 345 will be granted.

20 The investment practice also is rather unusual,
21 because they -- frankly, Your Honor, I had some difficulty
22 understanding it. But rather than actual investment practices,
23 they get certain credits against their fees, because of the
24 nature of the way in which they maintain the accounts. And all
25 of these -- whether or not that complies with 345 or not, are

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1 discussions that we have to have with the debtor. But as
2 mentioned, we also, from a technical standpoint, have to
3 evaluate whether or not -- what portions of the over 3,500
4 accounts are either FDIC-protected or in nonauthorized
5 depositories that are exposed.

6 THE COURT: So are you objecting principally to the
7 period of time for bringing these accounts into compliance with
8 345?

9 MR. MASUMOTO: At this point, yes. Your Honor, as to
10 the separate -- the newly developed system of creating separate
11 islands to protect various collateral, from our standpoint, at
12 the first day, we don't have any objection to that particular
13 practice.

14 THE COURT: Okay. So you're not objecting to the part
15 of this which is actually the most exceptional?

16 MR. MASUMOTO: Which is -- yes, which is the new part
17 of it. But we are concerned about the mechanics of the
18 individual accounts that will be part of the system.

19 THE COURT: Okay. Fine. For purposes of the first
20 day of the case, it's obvious that authority has to be given to
21 allow the company to continue to operate in accordance with the
22 cash management procedures that have been in place to be
23 modified in a manner that satisfies the requirements of the
24 debtor-in-possession financing, to be considered in a moment.

25 I'm going to approve the facility -- the use of cash

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1 on an interim basis. Some people are getting up -- apparently
2 I'm doing this too soon. Or they want to reserve rights or
3 something like that.

4 MR. GOREN: We do have one objection to this motion,
5 actually, Your Honor --

6 THE COURT: Okay. So it must be --

7 MR. GOREN: -- which I saw.

8 THE COURT: -- it must be that somebody wants to
9 reserve rights. Let's do that.

10 MR. MOAK: Your Honor, Paul Moak, M-O-A-K, with McKool
11 Smith on behalf of Freddie Mac. As Mr. Nashelsky indicated
12 earlier, the debtors service loans that are owned by Freddie
13 Mac, and that includes receiving from borrowers monthly
14 principal, interest, taxes, and insurance payments, and then
15 remitting the principal and interest to Freddie Mac, to whom
16 it's owed.

17 As U.S. Trustee's counsel said earlier, in essence,
18 the debtors serve a conduit function with regard to that. We
19 have been assured by the debtors, and in fact there's a motion
20 to be heard tomorrow, that they will continue, post-petition to
21 operate their servicing platform in the same manner they did
22 pre-petition. It's unclear to us whether the modifications
23 they've requested in this motion would impact the way that
24 Freddie Mac's monies are collected and then distributed. We
25 don't think that's the intention.

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1 But for example, there was discussion with regard to
2 collection accounts, concentration accounts, that I think you
3 heard Mr. Goren speak of, and again, we think that that's money
4 that is not ours, but it's not entirely clear. And so to the
5 extent that any of the collections of principal and interest or
6 taxes or insurance related to Freddie Mac loans are being
7 impacted by the modification of the cash collateral (sic)
8 system, we object to that, or would at least like some
9 additional clarity with regard to that.

10 Also, Your Honor, we just had one particular objection
11 with regard to paragraph 7 of the order. It says that "the
12 debtors are authorized to continue to deduct amounts from the
13 custodial accounts," which I again understand to be accounts in
14 which principal and interest are maintained on behalf of
15 Freddie Mac and others, "for the repayment of the Advances,"
16 capital A, Advances. Well, first of all, I don't think capital
17 A "Advances" is defined in the motion, so we're not certain
18 exactly what that means. But --

19 THE COURT: It's defined in the affidavit supporting
20 the motion submitted by Mr. Whitlinger.

21 MR. MOAK: Okay. To the extent that that includes
22 corporate advances, Your Honor, we oppose that, because it
23 would be inconsistent with the Freddie Mac guide and the
24 purchase documents. So we think that paragraph 7 should be
25 revised to reflect that the debtors are authorized, to the

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1 extent permitted by the Freddie Mac purchase documents, the
2 governing documents, the guide, to do so, that they continue to
3 operate as they have pre-petition.

4 Your Honor, I think that's the extent of my comments.
5 If my understanding is inconsistent with the debtors'
6 intention, as I mentioned, we'd object to the modification of
7 the cash management system.

8 THE COURT: Okay. Why don't we take these one at a
9 time. Can you provide some assurances right now to Freddie
10 Mac? I assume that you have no intention of doing anything
11 that's at odds with the requirements of their governing
12 documents.

13 MR. GOREN: That is exactly right, Your Honor. While
14 we were -- while Freddie Mac's counsel was speaking, Mr. Moak,
15 I conferred with Mr. Whitlinger and the treasurer, Joe Rollin
16 (ph.), and they both confirmed to me that Freddie Mac's flow
17 money will be in exactly in accordance with the documents, and
18 there's no intention to --

19 THE COURT: And you are prepared to include some
20 language in paragraph 7 as requested by counsel for Freddie
21 Mac?

22 MR. GOREN: That is not a problem, Your Honor.

23 THE COURT: Okay. Fine.

24 MR. NEIER: Good afternoon, Your Honor. David Neier
25 on behalf of Fannie Mae. And it's exactly the same issue.

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1 That's why I arose to speak immediately after Mr. Moak, with
2 respect to Fannie Mae. So if we could have the same assurances
3 in the same place, that'll be fine.

4 THE COURT: I bet you're going to get the same
5 assurances right now.

6 MR. NEIER: Thank you.

7 MR. GOREN: Same assurances and we will include them
8 in the same portion of the order.

9 THE COURT: Fine. Anybody else who needs similar
10 assurances?

11 MR. DONNELL: Good morning, Your Honor. Jim Donnell
12 of Winston & Strawn. We need to get some different assurances.
13 We filed a written objection. I'd like to pass a copy up to
14 the bench.

15 THE COURT: Is this on behalf of Wells Fargo?

16 MR. DONNELL: Yes.

17 THE COURT: I've read it.

18 MR. DONNELL: Okay. So again, our client has --
19 provides bank accounts under -- a series of bank accounts under
20 a deposit agreement originally with Wachovia Bank. And there
21 probably is in excess of thirty million dollars currently in
22 those accounts.

23 We have limited objections to the cash management
24 order, really of two different types. The first type are what
25 I would call technical or what I hope are noncontroversial

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1 changes. In the pleading that we filed I actually provided a
2 black-line copy of the debtors' cash management order with the
3 changes that we would seek there. And if it made sense, I
4 could just walk through that and the debtor could respond.

5 THE COURT: Apparently, it makes the most sense to
6 walk through that with debtors' counsel as opposed to walking
7 through it with me.

8 MR. DONNELL: We've provided it to them on multiple
9 occasions, including over the weekend. But those are
10 objections that we have that we feel that need to be made in
11 order for the cash management order to comply with the existing
12 deposit agreements.

13 And then sort of a second objection is --

14 THE COURT: Let me understand. What is it about the
15 cash management order in its present form that's in any way
16 inconsistent with the governing documents for your deposit
17 agreement?

18 MR. DONNELL: Well, first of all, Your Honor, the -- I
19 guess there are a lot of unknowns here. We've got references
20 in the document to the effect that the credit agreement -- the
21 DIP credit agreement or other orders would basically trump the
22 provisions. And I think we've got -- we're seeking
23 clarification that we can still deal with the debtors as our
24 customer. The document has language to the effect that we're
25 supposed to authorize -- be authorized to treat custodial

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1 accounts as custodial accounts. I really do think these are --
2 should be noncontroversial changes.

3 We're looking for the debtor to provide stop payments
4 on the items that it does not want us to pay, because
5 physically, it's very difficult for us to distinguish what
6 transfers the debtor has approved versus what they have not
7 approved and what the Court has approved. So as a pre-
8 condition to opening those accounts, they would be required to
9 put a stop payment on it. That's the sort of things we're
10 looking for. I don't know if Your Honor -- if you want to go
11 through them one by one?

12 THE COURT: I sure don't.

13 MR. DONNELL: Okay.

14 THE COURT: I think that you should work this out with
15 debtors' counsel, and if you can't -- I must tell you, I've
16 been through a lot of these, and this is one of the few times
17 that I've encountered an objection such as this. In the
18 ordinary course of cash management orders that are sought on
19 the first day, the goal is to not interfere with existing
20 arrangements. And one of the things I guess I'm missing, and
21 I'm going to look for some assurances from debtors' counsel, to
22 what extent does this first-day cash management order seek in
23 any way to alter existing arrangements with respect to the
24 accounts that are the subject of this objection. Because if
25 the answer is not at all, we don't have to deal with any of

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1 this. If the answer is just a little, I want to know in what
2 respect there's any change in existing practice. So that's a
3 question for debtors' counsel.

4 And to the extent this is controversial, you're going
5 to need to take a break and talk it through.

6 MR. DONNELL: That's fine. And, Your Honor, we would
7 be satisfied with a statement in the order that says nothing in
8 this order changes our deposit agreement.

9 MR. GOREN: Your Honor, the order already says that.
10 Paragraph 4 of the order, "The transfer of funds by and among
11 the debtors and their affiliates are made in accordance with
12 the terms and conditions, and do not impair any parties' rights
13 under any servicing agreements, deposit agreements or other
14 similar document."

15 THE COURT: Sounds like it covers it to me.

16 MR. DONNELL: Okay. Well, perhaps he added -- it
17 doesn't say "deposit agreements" last night at midnight, so I
18 might have missed that addition.

19 MR. GOREN: That was one of the changes he had asked
20 for --

21 MR. DONNELL: Okay.

22 MR. GOREN: -- that was added at their request.

23 MR. DONNELL: I apologize. I did not realize that
24 that change had been made.

25 Your Honor, it's my understanding -- could I address a

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1 second issue now? The second issue is our need to protect and
2 preserve our security interest. So through this deposit
3 agreement, we have a security interest in the deposit accounts
4 and all the funds in the deposit accounts as well as
5 contractual subordination rights that give my client priority
6 over the claims of Ally Financial. Now, I'm happy to address
7 those in the context of the Ally Financial financing motion
8 and -- if that's more appropriate.

9 THE COURT: It probably is more appropriate.

10 MR. DONNELL: Okay.

11 THE COURT: Let's deal with it there.

12 MR. DONNELL: Thank you.

13 THE COURT: And you might as well stay close to the
14 front of the room, because I think you're going to be coming up
15 again.

16 Is there anyone else who wants to be heard at this
17 point?

18 MR. CORDARO: Good afternoon, Your Honor. Joseph
19 Cordaro, Assistant United States Attorney from the Southern
20 District of New York, on behalf of the United States. And I
21 just have a few very brief remarks, and I just think that this
22 is a time to make them, given one of the Court's previous
23 comments.

24 Your Honor, the government is supportive of the
25 debtors' efforts. As Mr. Nashelsky pointed out, the debtors

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1 have been working with a number of government entities over the
2 past several months. And our overarching goal is to ensure
3 that servicing functions are not deteriorating during this
4 process and thereby putting borrowers at risk.

5 Just with respect to the cash management motion, it's
6 our understanding that the proposed order is designed in part
7 to allow the custodial accounts to continue their operations
8 uninterrupted. And I think that was a theme of one of Your
9 Honor's statements before that caused me to right at this
10 moment. And it is our understanding that the order does that.
11 But if our understanding is incorrect, of course, we would like
12 clarification from the debtors.

13 And I will only say at this point that we look forward
14 to further productive conversations with the debtors and other
15 interested parties in this matter, as the process unfolds.

16 THE COURT: Okay.

17 MR. CORDARO: Thank you.

18 MR. GOREN: We can again, assure the government that
19 the intention is for the custodial accounts to continue to
20 function as they have so that the investors and borrowers are
21 not affected by this bankruptcy.

22 THE COURT: Maybe we need to revisit, just for a
23 moment, in what respect anything is changing. Because to the
24 extent that everything is proceeding post-petition in the same
25 manner as pre-petition, one would think that nobody would be

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1 raising to object to anything. And this is a very unusual
2 motion to fetch objections of this sort.

3 So can you provide some assurances, not only to me,
4 but to those who have some concerns about this, as to what, if
5 anything, is changing in order to accommodate the requirements
6 of the DIP lenders?

7 MR. GOREN: I think that probably the easiest way to
8 explain it is that it's changing at the top of each island.
9 The money comes into our accounts the same way it always has.
10 It flows through custodial accounts off to investors, to the
11 agencies, in essentially the same way it always has. It's the
12 fees and servicing advance receivables and other profits of the
13 business that come in that are just -- are being segregated in
14 a different way than it was pre-petition.

15 THE COURT: But the flow of funds as it relates to --
16 I'll use a traditional term -- waterfall -- that may not be the
17 right term -- the way you divide up the money, that's going to
18 be the same?

19 MR. GOREN: Yes, Your Honor.

20 THE COURT: And all rights of all parties will be
21 unaffected by this, except the rights of the debtor-in-
22 possession lenders, that are getting some extra protection in
23 the form of being able to track their cash?

24 MR. GOREN: That's right. And that goes along with
25 the other secured lenders, that process. It just enables us,

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1 for other secured lenders, to track their cash as well.

2 THE COURT: Okay. I just -- in saying that in a
3 simplified way, I don't want to change the meaning of what's
4 really happening here. Have I said it in a way that you can
5 endorse or would you make modifications to it?

6 MR. GOREN: No, we can endorse what you said, Your
7 Honor.

8 THE COURT: Fine. On the basis of the colloquy that
9 we've had, I'll return to what I was saying about twenty-five
10 minutes ago. And this cash management motion is approved. But
11 it is approved subject to all of the comments that have been
12 made in the interval, and the various assurances that have been
13 provided by debtors' counsel.

14 Let's move on to the next one.

15 MR. GOREN: Thank you, Your Honor. If it's acceptable,
16 I'd like to skip to number 6 on the agenda, the Barclays DIP,
17 because I think that sets the stage a little bit better for the
18 next two motions. We're seeking approval today on an interim
19 basis of a 1.5 billion dollar debtor-in-possession credit
20 financing facility led by Barclays. The facility is comprised
21 of a 1.05 billion dollar A-1 term loan with an interest rate of
22 LIBOR plus 400, and a 200 million dollar A-2 term loan with an
23 interest rate of LIBOR plus 600, and a 200 million dollar
24 revolver with an interest rate of LIBOR plus 400, all with a
25 LIBOR floor of 1.25.

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1 The facility has an eighteen-month maturity, but does
2 contain various sale milestones which are well past the sale
3 milestones that are contained in our various sale agreements,
4 but would require us to have a sale order by February 15th and
5 an exit or a consummation of the sale by April 15th.

6 We're seeking authority to day to borrow the entire
7 term loan portion of the loan, which is 1.25 billion dollars.
8 We recognize that borrowing 1.25 billion dollars on the first
9 day of a case is a bit unusual, but this case presents
10 compelling reasons as to why such a large initial borrowing is
11 necessary. I'll get to those reasons in a bit, but I'd first
12 like to explain what this DIP is not.

13 As I mentioned earlier, despite the debtors'
14 exceedingly complex capital structure and its numerous secured
15 credit facilities, the debtor has retained significant
16 unencumbered assets in the form of advances and servicing
17 rights on Ginnie Mae loans and a 250 million dollar exempt cash
18 account. The DIP did not encumber those assets nor does it
19 encumber causes of action under Chapter 5. However, as a
20 result of our success in keeping our unencumbered assets
21 unencumbered, the only realistic possibility to obtain debtor-
22 in-possession financing was to refinance some of our existing
23 facilities.

24 We've done that while creating substantially more
25 liquidity for the debtors. So the initial proceeds of the loan

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1 will go to refinance what we refer to as the GSAP facility,
2 which is about 662 million outstanding secured by nonagency
3 servicing advances and the BMMZ repo facility. And BMMZ,
4 again, is a wholly owned subsidiary of Ally Financial. I'll
5 explain a bit more, but in essence, the refinancing of these
6 two facilities will allow us to bring assets into the estate
7 that do not currently reside into the estate and might not have
8 otherwise been available to creditors.

9 First GSAP. The debtors' largest cash need by far is
10 servicer advances. And the primary facility the debtors
11 utilize to fund those advances is the GSAP facility. The GSAP
12 facility, however, involves a nondebtor offshore special-
13 purpose borrower which the debtor had no ability to file in
14 these cases and thus no ability to access the cash collateral
15 of that debtor.

16 Under GSAP, the debtors sell certain of their
17 servicing rights -- advance reimbursement rights to the GSAP
18 borrower, which in turn pledges those to a lender. Absent the
19 refinancing of that facility through the Barclays DIP facility,
20 the GSAP facility would have gone into rapid amortization,
21 which means all of the advance receivables that flow into that
22 facility would have gone simply to pay down the lender, which
23 in this case is also Barclays under that facility. And that
24 would have severely constrained the debtors' liquidity, made it
25 almost impossible for them to make their advances.

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1 And in addition, there's meaningful oversecurity in
2 GSAP. There's about a 200-plus million dollar equity value,
3 and there was grave concern on the part of the debtors that if
4 they allowed that facility to go into rapid amortization, the
5 value of that equity interest might have dissipated or
6 disappeared altogether.

7 And we actually, through the DIP facility, were able
8 to obtain far more favorable terms for that lending than we
9 currently enjoy under GSAP. GSAP has a seventy percent advance
10 rate; the DIP facility has a ninety to ninety-five percent
11 advance rate on the same assets, so substantially more
12 liquidity.

13 BMMZ is a similar issue. BMMZ is a repo facility. So
14 it's structured as a derivative repurchase agreement, pursuant
15 to which BMMZ is actually the owner of the assets. And as this
16 Court is well aware, such repurchase facilities are not subject
17 to the automatic stay in bankruptcy. And therefore there was a
18 concern that absent the refinancing of the BMMZ facility, BMMZ
19 could have taken immediate action to terminate the repurchase
20 agreement and sell the underlying mortgage loans to third
21 parties, likely impairing or potentially eliminating the
22 debtors' interests.

23 Like with the GSAP facility, there is meaningful
24 excess value in the BMMZ repo. Specifically, as of the
25 petition date, the facility had about 250 million outstanding,

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1 but was associated with underlying assets in the form of a
2 portion of the debtors' loan book, with a book value of
3 approximately 473 million, or about a 223 million dollar excess
4 value. And again, like with the advances, the debtors are
5 getting a substantially higher advance rate through the
6 Barclays DIP facility than they enjoyed under BMMZ. BMMZ was
7 about a sixty percent advance rate; and we will get seventy-
8 five percent under the DIP facility.

9 The process of bringing these assets into the estate
10 is being accomplished through a purchase transaction which is
11 proposed through the DIP order and the underlying documents.
12 Pursuant to those repurchase transactions, the debtor will
13 purchase the assets from GSAP and BMMZ and bring them into the
14 estate. The order seeks findings that such purchase
15 transactions are true sales and should be free and clear of all
16 liens, claims and encumbrances, none of which we believe exist,
17 because all existing liens are being satisfied through the
18 refinancing.

19 Now, the other unusual aspect of this DIP facility is
20 that the borrowers under the DIP facility are two newly formed
21 special-purpose entities who are also debtors in this Chapter
22 11 proceeding. Because Barclays was not taking a lien on all
23 of our assets, and because of the debtors' complex capital
24 structure, they requested that the debtors segregate the
25 primary collateral underlying their facility. They believed

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1 that that would help significantly in the syndication efforts
2 with the facility and ultimately keep the costs down to the
3 debtors on the facility.

4 Thus, the assets currently in GSAP and BMMZ will be
5 sold to and become the assets of the new DIP borrowers.

6 Following the closing, as the debtors create new receivables
7 for making advances with the proceeds of the DIP loan, those
8 receivables will likewise be sold from the applicable debtor
9 entity, generally either -- in all cases, either GMAC Mortgage
10 or Residential Funding Company, sometimes called RFC, and those
11 assets will be sold to the DIP borrower.

12 THE COURT: You said a lot. Let me ask you a question
13 about one thing that you said that really caught my attention.
14 Are you seeking, on the first day of the case, as a condition
15 to approval of the DIP facility, a court order that deems the
16 transfer of underlying assets from the BMMZ repo and the GSAP
17 facility to the special-purpose entities that have been created
18 for the express purpose of providing for this financing -- are
19 you asking that I, today, determine that these are true sales?

20 MR. GOREN: That is in the interim order.

21 THE COURT: How on earth am I going to do that? And
22 what's your record that's going to support that? And why won't
23 counsel give an opinion which is sufficient for the lenders?

24 Why don't you just give that opinion? Why don't you
25 do what every attorney has to do in a structured finance

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1 transaction? Get comfortable, give the opinion. If you can't
2 get comfortable, why should I be comfortable?

3 MR. GOREN: Perhaps we can speak with lender's counsel
4 about that issue.

5 THE COURT: I think we better have that conversation
6 right now.

7 Mr. Ziman? Why won't an opinion do it for you? And
8 what do you expect me to do today to support this transaction?

9 MR. ZIMAN: Your Honor, you ask some fair questions,
10 so let's --

11 THE COURT: You bet I am.

12 MR. ZIMAN: I wouldn't doubt it, Your Honor. To be
13 clear, let's specify what we're asking of you. We're asking
14 that the debtors' acquisition of these assets be deemed
15 basically a true purchase by the debtors. That's all we're
16 asking. We're not --

17 THE COURT: How do I know that?

18 MR. ZIMAN: Well, I think -- they're taking money and
19 they're buying it from third parties.

20 THE COURT: So why do you need me to tell you that?

21 MR. ZIMAN: Well --

22 THE COURT: You just told me that it's a true sale.
23 You should be satisfied. You shouldn't need a court order that
24 says that. Or, if you're going to get a court order that says
25 that, we're going to need an evidentiary hearing in which I

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1 can, on the basis of whatever evidence you put forward that
2 would be the same evidence that would go in somebody's reasoned
3 opinion letter, that it's a true sale. But I don't have that
4 record now. And if you think I have it, point me to it.

5 MR. ZIMAN: Well, I think we could step back, and I'll
6 talk to debtors' counsel if you need take a break. But I think
7 if you look through -- if we go through the Whitlinger
8 affidavit and you go through Mr. Puntus' affidavit, but
9 probably more Mr. Whitlinger's, I think the evidence is there
10 that the price being paid for these is a fair price, that the
11 debtors are getting the benefit of essentially the ownership of
12 the assets, that there are no indemnification rights that
13 relate back to the sellers of the assets that would make it as
14 if they were still properties of the sellers' estates.

15 THE COURT: Okay, so that's your reasoned true sale
16 opinion. But why should I, a judge who just happened to be
17 here on a Monday, why should I as a help to Judge Glenn, and
18 obviously as a help to the transaction, and as quite literally
19 an officer of the court, not just counsel, why should I do what
20 lawyers should be doing, what lawyers do every day in
21 transactions pre-bankruptcy? And if I'm going to be, in
22 effect, your insurance policy, you're going to have to do a lot
23 more than say I can look at these affidavits. I read an
24 affidavit of the first-day orders that was a hundred pages
25 before exhibits.

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1 MR. ZIMAN: It was 500 pages with, Your Honor; I
2 appreciate that.

3 THE COURT: So why on Earth should you assume that a
4 mere mortal, that would be me, should be in a position to give
5 you the kind of assurance you're seeking, to provide admittedly
6 a lot of money? It's over a billion dollars.

7 MR. ZIMAN: Well, I think that's part of what's going
8 on here.

9 THE COURT: I realize there's a lot of money, but you
10 shouldn't be looking to the guy in the black robe to be giving
11 you an insurance policy without giving me the record that I
12 need. And that record will not happen on day one unless you're
13 prepared to stay very late.

14 MR. ZIMAN: Well, not --

15 THE COURT: I'm prepared to do that if it's required.
16 But you're going to need witnesses; you're going to have to
17 explore the background of the transaction. You're going to
18 have to explain this in a way that you would be comfortable
19 giving an opinion on behalf of your firm and you would be
20 comfortable committing your firm's malpractice coverage to the
21 quality of that opinion. And if you can do that, you don't
22 need me.

23 MR. ZIMAN: With all due respect, Your Honor, it sort
24 of becomes circular. So if we could prove it to you that it's
25 a true sale, then you're going to tell us we don't get it

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1 anyway.

2 THE COURT: I believe that for you to be doing what
3 you're insisting on is fundamentally unfair. I'm telling you
4 that very directly. I should not be asked on day one of a
5 case, as a condition to the financing that supports a very
6 vital financial institution, to be committing that something is
7 a true sale, without your taking me through it soup to nuts.
8 And if you're going to take it soup to nuts, all you're really
9 saying is, 'We just want the protection of a court order that
10 says that.' You actually don't need that, because you know
11 this deal so much better than I could ever learn it on the
12 basis of an evidentiary showing tonight. I'd like you to
13 rethink what you're doing.

14 MR. ZIMAN: I hear, Your Honor. We'll have to take a
15 break, and we'll have to talk about it.

16 THE COURT: Let's take a break.

17 (Recess from 5:27 p.m. until 6:00 p.m.)

18 THE COURT: Be seated, please.

19 MR. ZIMAN: Your Honor, Ken Ziman of Skadden, Arps,
20 Slate, Meagher & Flom, on behalf of Barclays Bank PLC as
21 proposed DIP agent and, for today's purposes, DIP lender. Your
22 Honor, thank you for the time. I think we've managed to
23 address the Court's issue. It's going to take some working on
24 the order, which we'll undertake. But just big picture,
25 there's two different buckets of assets, as Mr. Goren

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1 explained, that are being acquired by the DIP borrowers; one is
2 what's referred to as the GSAP facility in purple. With
3 respect to that transaction, that's a purchase between the
4 borrowers and the GSAP borrower, which is an off-balance-sheet
5 entity. We won't require any findings from Your Honor
6 regarding true sale on any of this, but that transaction will
7 take place as it's intended, without those findings being made.

8 With respect to the BMMZ repo facility, as Your Honor
9 heard from counsel, BMMZ is an indirect or direct subsidiary of
10 AFI, the parent company, the nondebtor parent. And in
11 discussing with AFI's counsel, BMMZ is essentially giving us a
12 representation -- giving the initial buyer, which is one of the
13 debtors, a representation that there are no liens on the assets
14 that are being reacquired. In order to deal with this issue
15 for at least today's purposes, AFI will guarantee that
16 representation to give us the comfort that the DIP borrower, at
17 the end of the day, has an asset that's not subject to somebody
18 else's lien.

19 I think, Your Honor, what Mr. Goren can amplify, we do
20 intend to create a record regarding the good faith of these
21 transactions and the true-sale nature of these transactions,
22 for final order purposes. I think Your Honor will tell me that
23 that's for Judge Glenn to decide on a full and complete record
24 when we show up there, but I just wanted to give Your Honor a
25 preview of that.

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1 THE COURT: Do I understand that you're going to put
2 some of that record on today?

3 MR. ZIMAN: No, Your Honor.

4 THE COURT: That's good.

5 MR. ZIMAN: Today we're solving the issue by not
6 asking Your Honor --

7 THE COURT: Fine.

8 MR. ZIMAN: -- for those findings.

9 THE COURT: But what you're telling me is that, for
10 purposes of the final order, there will be a request from the
11 Court, in the person of Judge Glenn, to enter a final order
12 that will include a determination that the transaction is a
13 true sale?

14 MR. ZIMAN: Correct, Your Honor.

15 THE COURT: All right.

16 MR. SCHROCK: Good afternoon, Your Honor. Ray Schrock
17 of Kirkland & Ellis, on behalf of Ally Financial and Ally Bank.

18 In participating in this solution, Your Honor, we
19 certainly would have been willing to take an opinion or the
20 like. Just so you have some history on this BMMZ facility, I
21 think it's important for the Court and other parties to know
22 that this was a third-party repurchase facility that was in
23 place by Citibank and Goldman Sachs since 2010. AFI refinanced
24 it in December. Barclays, effectively, asked AFI to sign onto
25 the payoff letter from BMMZ so that the DIP facility could

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1 close. This has been one of the ongoing issues that Ally
2 Financial has been dealing with. We've been giving and giving.
3 We want to make sure that the debtor is protected and gets the
4 debtor-in-possession financing. And we're willing to rep for
5 the current period that the sale is free and clear, but we
6 would like the debtor to seek a free-and-clear order at the
7 final hearing. We certainly don't intend to guarantee the
8 free-and-clear nature for the remainder of the proceedings.

9 THE COURT: I understand what you've said.

10 MR. SCHROCK: Okay.

11 THE COURT: It's on the record.

12 MR. SCHROCK: Thank you.

13 MR. GOREN: Thank you, Your Honor, for your indulgence
14 during the break. I'm glad we came to an acceptable resolution
15 there. I mean, I had a bit more here. I'm not sure if Your
16 Honor would like some further support of the need for the
17 immediate financing from the debtors. I'd be happy to --

18 THE COURT: There's no question you need the
19 financing.

20 MR. GOREN: Okay. Then I will let anyone else who has
21 any comments, objections rise. Oh, I was asked to state for
22 the record, by Freddie Mac's counsel, that the DIP loan does
23 not encumber any of Freddie Mac's accounts.

24 THE COURT: Okay.

25 Mr. Masumoto?

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1 MR. MASUMOTO: Thank you, Your Honor. Your Honor, I
2 did want to mention again, as the U.S. Trustee had indicated,
3 that we tried to accelerate the organizational meeting process,
4 because of the rapid series of events that are occurring in
5 this case, as well as the magnitude. And I think it will be
6 helpful if the debtor indicated why, for example, the
7 creditors' committee could not have input on this, particularly
8 the billion dollar rollup that they're proposing, as indicated.
9 We are scheduled to have an organizational meeting two days
10 from now, and we were concerned about whether or not the
11 committee should have an input into this large rollup.

12 In terms of specific features of the DIP financing
13 arrangement, we have spoken with both the DIP lender, and we
14 mentioned to the debtor our concern over the provision that
15 appears that whereas the liens carve out a -- there's a carve-
16 out -- perhaps that's not the correct term. They exempt from
17 the liens the Chapter 5 causes of action. But with respect to
18 the superpriority admin claim, there is no exemption for the
19 Chapter 5 causes of action. From our standpoint, that's
20 effectively the same as impairing those Chapter 5 causes of
21 actions at this point, without, again, having the input of a
22 committee. And therefore, we're concerned about those
23 provisions.

24 Similarly, I think, because the DIP financing and the
25 cash collateral orders tend to overlap, that concern appears to

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1 be consistent throughout all of the orders, both the cash
2 collateral and the DIP, that with respect to superpriority
3 admin claim, Chapter 5 causes are not carved out.

4 MR. DONNELL: Your Honor, Jim Donnell again, for the
5 Wachovia/Wells. We have not consented to priming but, again,
6 the focus of our objection is with respect to the DIP financing
7 procedures and liens given to Ally Financial. So I can wait,
8 or maybe this is the right time to bring that up.

9 THE COURT: What is it you're bringing up?

10 MR. DONNELL: I'm confused on whether we're
11 objecting -- whether we're addressing all of the DIP financing,
12 including that provided by Ally Financial, or only the Barclays
13 facility.

14 THE COURT: I think we determined a while ago that we
15 were going sequentially. We're currently dealing with the
16 Barclays DIP.

17 MR. DONNELL: Okay, so then we're not consenting to
18 that. We'll reserve our rights to the final. But we'll
19 address our chief objection in the context of the Ally
20 Financial. Thank you.

21 MR. CORDARO: Good afternoon again, Your Honor.
22 Joseph Cordaro, Assistant United States Attorney, on behalf of
23 the United States.

24 And I just wanted to voice a concern that the
25 government has with the proposed DIP order. Like most DIP

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1 orders, it provides for a superpriority admin expense claim,
2 but it does not specify the right of the United States to
3 assert a valid right of setoff or recoupment. Section 553
4 provides that the Bankruptcy Code doesn't affect what is
5 essentially the equitable right of setoff and recoupment. And
6 just because a DIP financing order grants someone a
7 superpriority admin claim, that doesn't necessarily -- that
8 does not impinge on the United States' valid rights of setoff
9 and recoupment. And for that reason, we typically ask for and
10 have received, in DIP financing orders in the past, language
11 such as "Nothing in this order shall discharge, release or
12 otherwise preclude any valid right of setoff or recoupment that
13 the United States, its agencies, departments or agents may
14 have." We've had conversations with the DIP lenders through
15 debtors' counsel, and they have agreed to other language that
16 we have proposed, but this one is still a sticking point and we
17 don't believe that there's any basis under the Code to not
18 include this language in the order.

19 THE COURT: Okay, sounds like we have a sticking
20 point.

21 MR. ZIMAN: Your Honor, I'll address, I guess, both
22 those, maybe, if that's okay: Mr. Masumoto's point and also
23 the U.S. Attorney's point. I'll go backwards first. The U.S.
24 Attorney's point: On page 31 of the order, we actually
25 included language that reads, verbatim, "For the avoidance of

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1 doubt, nothing in this order or the Credit Document shall
2 discharge, release or otherwise preclude any setoff or
3 recoupment rights of the United States of America, its
4 agencies, departments or agents." And we put in the junior
5 lien collateral. And that's, I think, the sticking point that
6 the U.S. Attorney wants to be plenary. And I think that if
7 this were perhaps a different DIP financing, maybe that's a
8 well-taken comment, but I don't think here it is, because as we
9 talked about, these are very bucketed. And the collateral --
10 the first lien collateral, distinct from the junior lien
11 collateral in this DIP financing -- I'll explain the
12 difference. The first lien collateral is the stuff that's off
13 balance sheet today. It's our view that nobody has rights in
14 that stuff, other than we're going to -- acquiring it free and
15 clear. That's the colloquy we just had. That's the recess we
16 took. So we're not prepared to lend with people who are
17 reserving rights that we don't think they have but, if they
18 think they have, then they should articulate them other than in
19 a general sense, because at the end of the day, somebody who
20 has an interest in property has the burden of showing they have
21 an interest in property. That's point one.

22 The junior lien collateral is comprised, in part, of
23 whole loans, which are nonagency whole loans, just loans that
24 the debtors have reacquired or were never sold -- they were
25 nonconforming loans, for instance -- or loans -- and also

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1 there's a small piece of that collateral pool that is comprised
2 of Freddie Mac servicer advances. So as the junior lien
3 collateral, we are acknowledging that Freddie has setoff
4 rights, recoupment rights, and that would then be consistent
5 with the reservation I just read, more generally the U.S.
6 Attorney asked for, the junior lien collateral.

7 Likewise, the other component of the junior lien
8 collateral is the Citi MSR. And by definition, the Citi MSR, I
9 believe, finances Fannie Mae MSRs, or is lent against Fannie
10 Mae MSRs. Again, that's an agency of the United States, I
11 guess. I'm not exactly sure what the GSEs are these days.
12 But, again, we provided for comfort on that point.

13 So this is a very, very narrow issue. And I think, in
14 the circumstance of this financing, that we're making
15 substantial advances to assets that are off the balance sheet.
16 We've given, yes, a slightly narrower carve-out than the U.S.
17 Attorney may have received in other cases, but I think that's
18 warranted here on the facts. And if there's a specific
19 interest that they're asserting in this first lien collateral
20 that currently resides in third parties, well, we'd like to
21 know about it, because it's pretty important to us. And we
22 don't want to provide a billion dollars or a billion-two-five
23 out the door to find that they're asserting some other
24 interest.

25 The typical example the U.S. Attorney's trying to

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1 protect against is the tax refund, Your Honor. I mean,
2 typically the U.S., they want to make sure that they're not
3 having a setoff and giving up tax refunds by virtue of a DIP
4 lender taking a security interest in a tax refund. And we're
5 not taking security interests in tax refunds.

6 So I think, given this construction of this facility
7 and how it blends together with the others you'll hear about,
8 the carve-out we provided is ample protection for the United
9 States in these circumstances.

10 Mr. Masumoto's point on the 364(c)(1) issue, I think
11 there's a difference between having a claim against the estate
12 for a shortfall in your collateral, and having that claim rank
13 at the top of the heap and taking a lien on an asset that you
14 can control and dispose of to your own liking. Now, all we're
15 saying is that if we're unpaid on our collateral at the end of
16 the day, that we're entitled to get paid from whatever's there.
17 And that's, I think, different in kind than taking a lien. And
18 we were very careful not come in here, Your Honor, and take a
19 lien on Chapter 5 causes of action. And generally I'm sure,
20 from your position, you look at counsel who stand in my
21 position and say you can't have that, a lien on avoidance
22 actions. So we didn't come in and ask for it. And we're not
23 asking for it on a final basis either. But I do think what we
24 are asking for is just to rank at the top against all assets of
25 the estate, to the extent we're not paid back any of our

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1 collateral, i.e., or the sale proceeds at the end of the day.

2 THE COURT: Okay.

3 Any further comments?

4 MR. CORDARO: I do, Your Honor. Again, Joseph
5 Cordaro, Assistant United States Attorney, for the United
6 States. Your Honor, I'm going to quote from Section 553.02 of
7 Collier: "The Bankruptcy Code provides no general equitable
8 mechanism for disallowing rights of setoff that are expressly
9 preserved by Section 553." Section 553 expressly preserves the
10 United States' right of setoff in this situation. It is
11 language we --

12 THE COURT: Well, Section 553 expressly preserves
13 rights of setoff that exist.

14 MR. CORDARO: That's correct, Your Honor.

15 THE COURT: It doesn't create rights of setoff.

16 MR. CORDARO: Absolutely correct, Your Honor.

17 THE COURT: So what Mr. Ziman is really saying, if I'm
18 hearing his argument correctly, is this is not debtor property
19 right now. The nondebtor property is going to come into the
20 estate and we're going to be looking to that as new lenders
21 putting in over a billion dollars into this company. And if
22 the government is saying they have some kind of right, I don't
23 want to hear about it in general terms. I want to know what
24 you're telling me, because, as a new lender, I want to know if
25 I'm lending into a risky situation.

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1 So a question to you is whether you're simply trying
2 to preserve something because that's what the government likes
3 to do in situations like this and is looking for broad
4 language, or do you have some kind of claim that you're
5 actually trying to protect? If so, tell us.

6 MR. CORDARO: Your Honor, no, at this point it's the
7 former. We just want to be sure that the language that's in
8 the order doesn't suggest that we have given up some statutory
9 right of setoff that we have. And by putting language in that
10 suggests that our right of setoff only goes to the junior lien
11 collateral, it could be inferred that we've given up setoff
12 rights that we are --

13 THE COURT: No, you wouldn't have given anything up.
14 It would have been ordered that you don't have those rights.
15 So in effect what you're trying to protect against is the
16 efficacy of an interim order that gives the lenders what
17 they're looking for, correct?

18 MR. CORDARO: To the extent they're seeking to -- yes,
19 they're seeking to confine our setoff rights to junior lien
20 collateral, yes, we think that's inappropriate and that --

21 THE COURT: And do you believe, as a matter of law,
22 that you have any current claims of setoff or recoupment
23 applicable to the assets that are coming into the estate to
24 secure the new lending?

25 MR. CORDARO: As I stand here, Your Honor, I don't.

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1 But, again, I don't want to suggest that those don't exist.

2 These things are moving very fast, so I don't want to represent
3 to the Court that I have a belief, and then go back and find
4 out that that belief --

5 THE COURT: Okay.

6 MR. CORDARO: -- was incorrect.

7 THE COURT: I understand.

8 MR. CORDARO: Thank you.

9 MR. MASUMOTO: Brian Masumoto for the Office of the
10 United States Trustee. Just briefly, Your Honor.

11 I do want to articulate again the usual standard. I
12 mean, many people regard the giving of a superpriority admin
13 expense over Chapter 5 essentially the equivalent of a lien.
14 And here Chapter 5 causes of action are bankruptcy-created
15 actions, typically an element for the creditors' committee to
16 at least have something to negotiate with. So again, we urge
17 the Court not to, at least for the interim purposes, until a
18 committee's formed, allow the superpriority admin expense to
19 cover the Chapter 5 causes of action. Thank you.

20 THE COURT: Okay.

21 I think what's different about this situation as it's
22 playing out now this evening is that, contrary to what we often
23 see in pre-negotiated filings in large Chapter 11 cases where
24 pre-petition lenders are providing post-petition liquidity in
25 rollup facilities, this is a situation in which we have new

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1 lenders with a new syndicate being put together by Barclays
2 Capital, and the collateral that secures the facility includes,
3 at least in this instance, assets that are not presently within
4 the debtor estates. Based upon that and the critical need for
5 liquidity without interruption, and the importance that this
6 debtor represents in the marketplace for residential financing,
7 it seems to me that both objections should be overruled for
8 purposes of the interim order.

9 I'll start with the U.S. Attorney's position on setoff
10 and recoupment. Of course he's right, because he's reading
11 what the law generally provides. But just because the law
12 generally provides that does not mean that in extraordinary
13 circumstances such as this, DIP lenders are not entitled to
14 certain assurances, right at the beginning before they fund,
15 that they're going to be protected with respect to their
16 advances. Under these circumstances, and particularly since,
17 as I understand the facts, the collateral base consists of
18 assets that presently reside outside the debtors and are to be
19 brought into the debtors' estates simultaneously with the
20 closing, I think that the broad language sought by the U.S.
21 Attorney is unnecessary. I'm not going to say it's
22 inappropriate. But I also think that rights need to be
23 reserved. This is just the interim hearing. And just because
24 certain provisions are set forth in the interim facility order
25 does not necessarily mean, after the formation of a committee

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1 and time for the parties to reflect on the case as it unfolds
2 between now and the final hearing, that there might not be
3 changes. For interim order purposes, I'm going to overrule the
4 U.S. Attorney's objection.

5 Similarly, with respect to the objection raised by Mr.
6 Masumoto on behalf of the U.S. Trustee, I would agree with him
7 that ordinarily there is equivalence between the grant of a
8 lien in avoidance actions and their proceeds, and a
9 superpriority that applies to such debtor rights. But under
10 the present circumstances, I'm going to overrule that objection
11 as well.

12 I will note that in other situations I have from the
13 bench insisted that there be a carve-out of superpriority
14 claims as well as liens, with respect to Chapter 5 avoidance
15 actions and their proceeds. But I'm going to draw a
16 distinction today as it relates to this financing. In excess
17 of a billion dollars is a very significant new-money loan in
18 any market. And to the extent that there is any loss on
19 account of the actual collateral that secures this loan, we're
20 in a very different environment from the environment that
21 supports the underwriting of this loan. It seems to me highly
22 unlikely that the loan was underwritten with the view that
23 superpriority claims would be the last and ultimate way to
24 obtain a recovery, particularly as it relates to avoidance
25 actions and their proceeds. If we're in that place sometime in

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1 the future, everything that I was told at the outset of this
2 hearing will have proven to be completely unreliable and false.

3 In part for that reason, and because I believe that
4 the DIP loan in this instance is a necessary prerequisite to
5 the orderly commencement of these cases, I'm overruling this
6 objection, but it's not precedential in respect of other DIP
7 loans that may be submitted to me in the future in other
8 settings. I think this is a special case.

9 But for reasons previously stated in reference to the
10 U.S. Attorney's objection on setoff and recoupment, this is
11 just an interim order and I'm just sitting here as a judge of
12 the moment, not a judge of the case. And for that reason, I do
13 not wish my interim approval to in any way bind what Judge
14 Glenn might decide when he sits at the time of the final
15 hearing.

16 So the order will be entered in the form acceptable to
17 the DIP lenders as to both of these issues. But as to what
18 happens at the time of the final, the committee and other
19 parties will need to convince Judge Glenn that such a
20 determination is appropriate in forty-five days.

21 MR. GOREN: Thank you, Your Honor. We will need a
22 final hearing. Should we just consult directly with Judge
23 Glenn's chambers on that, I assume? A final hearing date for
24 the purposes of the order, should we just --

25 THE COURT: You're going to have to confer with Judge

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1 Glenn's law clerks, who are present today.

2 MR. GOREN: Okay. We'll speak with them after the
3 hearing.

4 THE COURT: Do you need that at this moment, or can we
5 do that --

6 MR. GOREN: We can do it after the hearing.

7 THE COURT: Let's do it after the hearing. I'm also
8 going to, as a practical matter, have to so order this record
9 for purposes of all of the findings with respect to cash
10 collateral, cash management and DIP lending, because at this
11 hour it is not practical for us to actually enter orders on the
12 docket. It's not going to happen till tomorrow morning. I'm
13 assuming that the DIP loan, in particular, will not close until
14 sometime tomorrow.

15 MR. GOREN: I believe that's the anticipation, Your
16 Honor.

17 THE COURT: Fine. So you'll have an order in form
18 satisfactory to you before you close.

19 MR. ZIMAN: Your Honor, just to be clear, certain of
20 the orders tomorrow are conditions precedent to the DIP loan
21 closing, so we're -- you know, it'll close tomorrow.

22 THE COURT: Fine.

23 MR. ZIMAN: Thank you.

24 THE COURT: All I was trying to make clear was that
25 we're not going to have orders filed on the electronic docket

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1 this evening.

2 MR. ZIMAN: Yes.

3 MR. GOREN: Okay, thank you, Your Honor. The next
4 motion I'd like to present is the motion to approve a second
5 debtor-in-possession financing facility with our parent, Ally
6 Financial, and the use of Ally Financial and the junior secured
7 bonds cash collateral. Even though we obtained a, as you
8 noted, very substantial DIP facility from Barclays, we
9 realized, as the filing date approached and some of the
10 projections changed, that we lacked sufficient liquidity to
11 fund the debtors' second largest cash expense, which is,
12 repurchasing certain whole loans that were sold into
13 securitization trusts guaranteed by Ginnie Mae. I'll call
14 those Ginnie buybacks.

15 Under the Ginnie Mae guides, if whole loans in a trust
16 guaranteed by Ginnie Mae collectively exceed the delinquency
17 rate specified by Ginnie Mae, the debtors are obligated to
18 repurchase a group of those loans sufficient to decrease the
19 delinquency rate below the specified level. The amounts paid
20 by the debtors to repurchase these loans are substantial, but
21 they are reimbursable, because the loans are either partially
22 insured by the FHA or partially guaranteed by the VA. So we
23 end up getting a substantial portion of the money we paid by
24 these loans back by submitting claims. And we can also
25 frequently fix whatever the delinquency is and then sell them

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1 back into a Ginnie Mae trust. So it doesn't end up being that
2 big of a net cash outlay to the debtors, but the gross is
3 significant. In fact, in 2011 the debtors repurchased over
4 4,700 loans at a value of approximately 745 million dollars.

5 If we were to stop doing the Ginnie Mae buybacks, we'd
6 face at least two serious consequences: one, borrowers may
7 refuse to make their mortgage payments to the debtors,
8 impairing our ability to meet our servicing obligations; and
9 two, we would face the possible termination of our Ginnie Mae
10 servicing rights, which, as I noted before, is one of the
11 estate's unencumbered assets, and that could be a substantial
12 loss to the estate's general unsecured creditors.

13 So the debtors seek this additional debtor-in-
14 possession financing facility for the sole and limited purpose
15 of doing the Ginnie Mae buybacks. AFI has agreed to provide us
16 that facility by means of an advance on the Ally line of
17 credit, which has substantial equity value in it. There's
18 about -- as noted, there's about 380 million outstanding as of
19 the petition date on that facility. And the collateral, on the
20 debtors' books at least, is valued at about 1.5 billion. So
21 there's a substantial equity cushion in that asset, in that
22 collateral. And so AFI, through the DIP loan, will be taking
23 liens on the Ginnie Mae assets that they purchase, and they're
24 priming themselves on the Ally LOC, for purposes of the loan.

25 So we're seeking eighty-five million today on an

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1 interim basis, with the remaining sixty-five million to come
2 upon a final basis. And there's also a possibility that Ally
3 will agree to provide another seventy million. We're still
4 working through some of the numbers, trying to figure things
5 out. So the documents currently provide that we'll negotiate
6 in good faith. But the total ask at the final hearing could be
7 up to 220.

8 Under this facility, there are no fees payable to Ally
9 Financial. They have agreed to the same interest rate as the
10 A-1 term loan on the Barclays facility, which is LIBOR plus
11 400. And the proceeds use is limited to the Ginnie buybacks.
12 They're also seeking an administrative superpriority claim,
13 which is junior to Barclays' superpriority claim.

14 That is the DIP facility in essence, Your Honor. The
15 motion also seeks the use of cash collateral of AFI in its
16 capacity as lender under the Ally line of credit -- AFI, in its
17 capacity as lender under the senior secured credit facility,
18 which is oftentimes called by people within the company as the
19 Ally revolver -- which is a bit of a misnomer. It used to be a
20 revolver. It no longer revolves, but that's how people in the
21 company refer to it, so I may refer to it occasionally in that
22 way, too.

23 The debtors propose to grant the following forms of
24 adequate protection on the Ally LOC. They will give senior
25 liens on the LOC, which are junior only to the DIP lien but

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1 senior to the liens granted to Barclays under their DIP
2 facility. And they will make current interest payments to Ally
3 at the nondefault rate. There will be, however, no payment of
4 Ally's professional fees. And then Ally will be granted a
5 superpriority claim junior to Barclays' and the AFI DIP loan,
6 but pari passu with other cash collateral orders.

7 With respect to the Ally revolver or senior line of
8 credit, they will receive a similar adequate protection
9 package. However, in addition, they are also receiving -- with
10 respect to both Ally and the junior secured bonds, we've also
11 agreed to grant them limited adequate protection replacement
12 liens -- adequate protection liens on the Ally line of credit,
13 since there's not enough collateral. So to the extent there
14 was a diminution in value in solely the revolver and blanket
15 lien collateral that covers the revolver and the junior notes,
16 there was concern that they might not have adequate assets to
17 look to. So we've agreed to give them a second lien on the
18 Ally LOC -- or fourth lien, I guess, behind the two DIP loans
19 and Ally adequate protection claims, solely to the extent of
20 any diminution in value in their collateral.

21 The other somewhat different aspect of their adequate
22 protection package is we're granting them a replacement lien in
23 the equity of the DIP borrowers. And the reason for that is
24 the revolver and junior notes are secured. One of their --
25 part of their current collateral is an equity pledge of the

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1 preferred shares of the GSAP facility. So, ultimately they
2 would have been entitled to any equity that would have flown up
3 to the debtors through the GSAP facility had that facility
4 unwound in the normal course.

5 Similarly with respect to BMMZ, because they have a
6 blanket lien that captures anything, the repurchase agreement
7 is arguably a general intangible. And there was a view, which
8 the debtors did not dispute, that they had a lien on the
9 debtors' equity value in the repurchase facility, which is
10 captured by the blanket lien. So because in two different
11 senses they had an equity interest in the assets that we were
12 putting into our DIP borrowers, the debtors believed it made
13 sense to grant them a replacement lien on the equity of the DIP
14 borrowers. So that will be the other part of their adequate
15 protection package.

16 And then finally, Your Honor, we have stipulated to
17 the validity of the junior secured bonds, liens and claims,
18 subject to a seventy-five day challenge period. I think it's
19 important to note we have not stipulated to the validity of
20 Ally's liens and claims. Though as noted by my colleague
21 Mr. Nashelsky at the outset, we do propose a comprehensive
22 settlement with the parent, which would resolve our potential
23 claims with respect to those facilities, and that will be
24 consummated through a plan of reorganization. But creditors
25 will have until the confirmation hearing to evaluate those

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1 claims and the proposed settlement. So we're not seeking to
2 impose any kind of a challenge period on creditors as to Ally's
3 debt.

4 And that is all I had on that, unless you have any
5 questions.

6 THE COURT: Does anyone have comments on this?

7 MR. MASUMOTO: Brian Masumoto again, for the Office of
8 the United States Trustee. Your Honor, just to be consistent,
9 because there was a distinction made between the type of DIP
10 financing that was advanced by Barclays, in this case I believe
11 that the Ally DIP includes also a superpriority admin claim
12 over the Chapter 5. If Your Honor regards this DIP advanced by
13 Ally to be comparable to Barclays, we understand your ruling.
14 But to the extent it does not, our objection to the extension
15 of the superpriority admin claim over Chapter 5 applies. Thank
16 you.

17 THE COURT: Okay. Before I hear from Wells Fargo's
18 counsel, I'd like to hear from Ally's counsel on the issue of a
19 superpriority as against avoidance actions, given the
20 relationship of Ally as lender to the borrower entities.

21 MR. SCHROCK: Your Honor, I'll have to confer with the
22 third lien holders, but Ally would be fine, solely for purposes
23 of the interim hearing, waiving a superpriority claim on
24 Chapter 5.

25 THE COURT: I appreciate that, because you wouldn't

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1 have gotten it.

2 MR. SCHROCK: I thought so, Judge. It informed my
3 decision.

4 MR. UZZI: Just to close the record -- or the loop on
5 Mr. Schrock's comments, Your Honor -- just for the record,
6 Gerard Uzzi of White & Case, on behalf of certain ad hoc
7 consenting lenders, I should say, or consenting holders, what
8 we're referred to as under our PSA.

9 THE COURT: It's not a group, it's not a committee;
10 they're just consenting lenders.

11 MR. UZZI: We will be -- no, we will be filing a 2019
12 statement, Your Honor, so we won't be having that argument
13 again.

14 THE COURT: Good.

15 MR. UZZI: We're fine, Your Honor, with not taking
16 the -- as Your Honor had articulated, the 507(b) issue.

17 THE COURT: Thank you.

18 MR. UZZI: Thanks.

19 MR. DONNELL: Your Honor, I'll be very brief. We're
20 asking for two things: one is preservation of our rights, our
21 contractual subordination rights, against Ally Financial. We
22 have a subordination agreement in our deposit agreement that
23 provides that all of our claims are senior to the claims of
24 Ally Financial, with respect to any of the ResCap entities.
25 The order that's proposed to you would change that priority and

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1 provide that Ally Financial has priority rights, subject only
2 to the carve-out and nothing else. So I've outlined -- I've
3 highlighted the provisions of the order that I think are
4 problematic.

5 THE COURT: Okay, I don't want to get into order-
6 drafting at this time, as much as I would like to get into the
7 concept that we're dealing with. Are you objecting to the
8 priming by a DIP loan? Is that what you're objecting to? Or
9 are you saying whatever priming exists has to be subject to the
10 contractual subordination provisions that govern your contract?
11 I'm just trying to understand what you're --

12 MR. DONNELL: No, it's a good point.

13 THE COURT: -- what you're saying.

14 MR. DONNELL: It's a good point. They are two
15 separate things. And it's the second that we're most focused
16 on. I'm not consenting to the priming, because we haven't been
17 given replacement collateral. Okay, that's the other thing I'm
18 asking for; that's the second thing. So it's two things:
19 we've got contractual subordination rights that we want
20 preserved, against Ally Financial, and we understand that our
21 bank accounts in which we have security interests are going to
22 go poof or go to other lenders, but we need replacement
23 collateral for that. And what we're suggesting is that we
24 simply get the same replacement collateral that Ally Financial
25 is getting, because that's also consistent with our

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1 subordination agreement with Ally Financial.

2 THE COURT: So your objection is seeking, A, in
3 effect, specific enforcement of the subordination provisions
4 and your financing arrangements, and B, adequate protection?
5 Is that right?

6 MR. DONNELL: I would change A slightly. Instead of
7 specific performance, I'm trying to undo what they have in
8 there that says our rights go away -- our subordination rights
9 go away. And the second is correct, yes. If all the money in
10 our bank accounts in which we have a first priority security
11 interest are going to go to another lender or are going to be
12 spent as cash collateral, then we need additional adequate
13 protection, not just what's in the cash management order but an
14 actual replacement lien. And so as not to interfere with the
15 other lenders, it seems to me the simplest thing is to simply
16 give us the same adequate protection collateral that Ally
17 Financial is getting.

18 THE COURT: Let me hear from Mr. Schrock.

19 MR. SCHROCK: It's, Judge, Ray Schrock on behalf of
20 Ally Financial.

21 I have to admit, this one confounds me. Just so Your
22 Honor has some context for what the relationship is of Wells
23 Fargo in the capital structure of ResCap, Wells Fargo was
24 formerly the cash management banker for ResCap. There's
25 approximately thirty-three million dollars, we understand, left

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1 in an account, now that ResCap has moved all of their cash
2 management over to JPMorgan. So there's -- and that sits in an
3 account where the Ally revolver has a control agreement. One,
4 we've asked counsel a number of times what are his setoff
5 rights, what are we protecting. This account is going to be
6 closed next week. They're moving -- we understand that the
7 debtors are moving the cash over, and we don't understand what
8 their claim is. To the extent counsel wants adequate
9 protection, I would say have him -- I want him to articulate
10 what his loss is or what he's concerned about, and we could
11 certainly chat about that and giving him adequate protection,
12 but this isn't an account where we have a lien.

13 Second, Your Honor, Ally Financial is not going to
14 stipulate to this sua sponte, this guarantee that was put in
15 place unilaterally on a deposit account agreement in the months
16 leading up to the Chapter 11. And I don't even understand what
17 the loss would be. Here we're giving a DIP loan. The debtor
18 has come to us and said we would like you, Ally, to make
19 another accommodation. We said that we would be willing to do
20 so with a court order, under the right circumstances. We want
21 to make sure that the taxpayers get repaid for their
22 investment, who own seventy-four percent of Ally Financial.
23 But to ask us to subordinate an entire DIP loan and an entire
24 pre-petition revolving credit facility to a thirty-three
25 million dollar account or some charges that we don't even know

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1 about, seems out of line.

2 THE COURT: Well, I don't really know enough to make a
3 ruling on this, but it seems that it falls into the category of
4 this either is or is not like a permitted lien in a DIP
5 financing arrangement in which certain prior rights are carved
6 out in order to, in effect, push to one side the litigation
7 time and expense and risk associated with having to litigate
8 such things right at the outset. Now, that may or may not be
9 the right characterization, but that's the one that I'm making
10 having heard this argument.

11 What I don't understand is why the lawyers are arguing
12 about this in a warm courtroom at a quarter to 7 at night, as
13 opposed to working something out, because what you've just said
14 is that the Wells Fargo position is de minimis in relation to
15 the issues that are before the Court, and the amounts that are
16 involved.

17 MR. SCHROCK: Yes, Your Honor.

18 THE COURT: And so in effect what you're saying is 'I
19 don't know why they're being so difficult, because they have no
20 position here to protect.' I'm paraphrasing. Is that a fair
21 paraphrase?

22 MR. SCHROCK: That is very fair, Your Honor.

23 THE COURT: Okay. So I'm inclined not to have Wells
24 Fargo lose, but they're about to. So my suggestion is that the
25 two of you, before we close the record, have a conversation in

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1 the hallway together to see if you can rationally resolve what
2 seems to be a very small issue.

3 MR. SCHROCK: Thank you, Your Honor. That's all we're
4 asking for.

5 THE COURT: Okay. Why don't you go do that.

6 MR. SCHROCK: All right. Thank you.

7 THE COURT: Why don't you go do that now.

8 MR. DONNELL: Yes, sir.

9 MR. SCHROCK: Will do.

10 MR. GOREN: This one should hopefully be a bit simpler
11 and a bit quicker. The last cash collateral motion is the one
12 with Citibank, N.A. As previously noted, they have a security
13 interest in various agency master servicing rights; those are
14 Fannie and Freddie master servicing rights. They get -- we're
15 offering them a fairly standard adequate protection package of
16 replacement liens on their same assets, superpriority claim
17 junior to the DIP superpriority claim but pari passu with other
18 cash collateral providers, and interest paid at the nondefault
19 rate, and payment of fees. We do believe the facility is
20 meaningfully oversecured, so we have no issue paying the
21 interest. And in particular, the purchaser has -- the portion
22 of its bid allocable to the agency MSRs is about 360 million,
23 and there's about 150 million outstanding. So there's a
24 significant equity cushion available in the facility.

25 The security interest, including adequate protection

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1 interest taken by Citibank, is expressly subject to all of the
2 agency interests under the order, Fannie and Freddie's
3 interests in the servicing rights that are secured. So I
4 believe we've agreed with language with them on that and they
5 find that satisfactory.

6 We do stipulate to the validity of their debt and
7 liens and claims, and provide a seventy-five day challenge
8 period.

9 Any other --

10 MR. MASUMOTO: Your Honor, if I might ask the
11 concession on the Chapter 5 causes of action on the
12 superpriority --

13 THE COURT: Let's see if we can get it for you. I bet
14 we're going to get it.

15 MR. SOSNICK: Good evening, Your Honor. Fred Sosnick
16 from Shearman Sterling, on behalf of Citibank, N.A. I think we
17 would be prepared to make that concession for tonight. I think
18 we do have reasons why, for the final order, we think it's
19 appropriate, but I don't think we need to belabor that tonight.
20 I think we're adequately protected until the final hearing.

21 THE COURT: I think you are, too.

22 Any other comments?

23 Fine.

24 MR. GOREN: Thank you, Your Honor. Your Honor, we did
25 also file a motion to file the Barclays fee letter under seal.

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1 I'm not sure --

2 THE COURT: Are we saving that to the very end?

3 That's probably the most problematic motion that I've seen in
4 this first-day packet. So let's spend a little time on that.

5 MR. GOREN: It's the debtors' point of view that it is
6 appropriate in this case to file the fee letter under seal, in
7 particular because this is a syndicated deal, there is market
8 flex available in the package, and we do believe it would be
9 harmful, not just to Barclays but to the debtors, for the
10 market to be able to see what type of flex is available. We
11 think it more likely the facility to be flexed in that instance
12 and ultimately costing the debtors' estates more money.

13 THE COURT: Okay, I understand the issue, and I'm
14 going to give the U.S. Trustee an opportunity to comment in
15 just a moment. But let me frame my concern so you understand
16 how I look at this. The amount of the fees has been disclosed
17 in gross amount, something in excess of fifty million dollars.

18 MR. GOREN: That's correct.

19 THE COURT: I saw that. I also looked at the several
20 allegedly confidential documents to be filed under seal that
21 are the fee letters in question. I recognize that when we're
22 talking about the pricing of a debtor-in-possession facility,
23 we are dealing with sensitive commercial information. But
24 we're also dealing with that information in a somewhat unique
25 setting. It's the fishbowl of bankruptcy. And on day one you

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1 are asking for a sealing order with respect to a document
2 that's clearly material to the financing as a whole. Without
3 getting into the specifics of the flex as you describe it, I
4 noticed that there are any number of potentially material terms
5 to the financing that are built into the flex, in terms of
6 changes to the relative amounts in the designated facilities,
7 if I understood it correctly.

8 MR. GOREN: That's correct, Your Honor.

9 THE COURT: And in part for that reason, this isn't
10 just pricing; this is the very structure of the facility. And
11 one of the terms that I noticed went to the maturity date,
12 which I believe can change by a number of months that I won't
13 state on the record because that is presumably confidential
14 information. But the fact that that exists as a term is
15 material to all parties-in-interest in this case.

16 So in part for that reason, I'm just letting you
17 know -- and you can think about this overnight; we don't have
18 to decide this today, because we have another hearing date
19 tomorrow at 11, which will be here before you know it -- I have
20 some problems with this. And I believe that it is at least
21 possible, instead of sealing these documents, to redact them,
22 and I believe it is also possible to provide summaries of the
23 relevant terms so that parties know what's at stake here. I
24 don't view this as inconsequential, but I also recognize that
25 we're dealing with sensitive information, but it's sensitive

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1 information that parties-in-interest have a right to know, at
2 least in general terms.

3 MR. GOREN: Very much appreciated, Your Honor. We
4 will speak with Barclays' counsel overnight and the U.S.
5 Trustee and see if we can come to resolution by tomorrow or, if
6 not, perhaps put the motion off a little bit and --

7 THE COURT: Yeah. Now, I saw that Mr. Masumoto was
8 standing to say something when I was speaking.

9 MR. MASUMOTO: Your Honor, in fact, the redaction
10 procedure has been utilized in other cases and has been
11 satisfactory for our office. So we're happy to discuss that
12 procedure with the debtor and the DIP lender.

13 THE COURT: Okay.

14 MR. GOREN: I'm sure we'll be able to come up with
15 something that works, Your Honor.

16 THE COURT: Now, we have a couple of gentlemen who are
17 out in the hall, and it would be great if they could come in
18 and tell me that that particular loose end from the Ally
19 financing has been wrapped up. And then we can go home, or go
20 back to work, as the case may be.

21 MR. SCHROCK: Hello, Your Honor.

22 THE COURT: Hello again.

23 MR. SCHROCK: Ray Schrock on behalf of Ally Financial.
24 I think we have an agreement.

25 THE COURT: Good. What is it?

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1 MR. SCHROCK: Wells Fargo is going to get adequate
2 protection to the extent of the amount that is -- capped at the
3 amount that is in the accounts as of the petition date. But
4 the parties will reserve rights as to the ranking of that
5 adequate protection. And further, Wells Fargo would like to,
6 and Ally and the third lien lenders would like to reserve
7 rights on the subordination language that is quoted in the
8 objection, for the final hearing, provided that any new-money
9 loans that are issued before the final hearing shall be first
10 in priority.

11 THE COURT: Is that acceptable?

12 MR. DONNELL: That's acceptable, Your Honor.

13 THE COURT: Fine. I'm so ordering the record for this
14 evening. I think it would be of some use to take that nicely-
15 stated agreement and to incorporate that into the form of order
16 to be entered as well. Can you do that?

17 MR. DONNELL: Yes, Your Honor.

18 THE COURT: Great. And I'll see those who wish to be
19 back here, at 11 o'clock tomorrow. We're adjourned till then.

20 IN UNISON: Thank you, Your Honor.

21 (Whereupon these proceedings were concluded at 6:55 PM)

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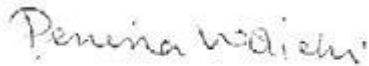
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